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PROLOGUE THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT

There's a nice grade B movie playing around town called <u>Soylent Green</u>. Basically, the film is set about 50 years in the future, where the population of Manhatten is 40,000,000, half the world is starving and people are living in hallways.

Since food is so scarce, meat sells for \$150.00 a pound, if you can get it. Only the rich can afford real food; the poor stomp over each other to get the good synthetic stuff, called soylent green. The good stuff is only sold on Tuesdays (most police are assigned riot duty on Tuesdays), soylent red and soylent yellow are sold the other days. The <u>real</u> poor have to live off of soylent yellow crumbs.

Obviously, the folks who get richest fastest — and into political power — are those who come up with clever ways of food production. Like recycling people.

CHAPTER 1 LET THEM EAT CAKE

The poorest quality unspoiled hamburger currently sells for 93 cents a pound; up from 69 cents a pound a couple of years back. The rest of the meat products have also gone up proportionally.

Last April we all fartsed around with a useless meat boycott, forcing 30% of the middle-class butchers to take an unexpected — and unpaid — vacation. Meat prices didn't go down — they couldn't.

Granted, most food retailers, wholesalers, conglomerate farmers et al could be a little less greedy, but they are hardly the cause of the high prices.

Check this out. We just came out of the mildest two winters in Chicago's history. The mildest summer Chicago's seen in a long time bridged the gap.

We've just had a lot of rain, more than usual, and it looks like we're going to have a lot more this spring. In fact, around these parts spring-summer-fall sort of turns into one long, damp season.

You can't grow shit in this kind of weather. Chicago, let's not forget, is right in the heart of the midwest — like the stock yards weren't built here for nothing — and the crappy weather we've been having we've shared with the rest of the fertile areas in this country.

Since nothing is growing, nothing is being raised for the cattle to eat. Hungry cattle means less beef, and less beef means higher prices per pound. Nobody wants to take a loss, so the minuses get passed down to the consumer.

The heaviest disasters came down in the soybean market. Soybeans are almost pure protein; they're also grown in this area. These beans are used to feed cattle and chicken; they, in turn, grow big and strong.

Now let's take one giant — and brief — step out into the economic ozone. Grains, including soybean, are bid on in the open market months before they're grown. Those folks out in the Pit are committing their money to stuff that has barely gone into the ground. Therefore, if the crop fails these folks are desperate — they've gotta buy that stuff somewhere.

Ah, but what if somebody's cornered the market? Funny you should ask, 'cause that's just what those clever commies out in Russia did. Having suffered a couple seasons worth of freeze-outs, the Russians started bidding heavily on the American markets. They bought much of the soybeans produced last year at about 50% of the price that their American comrades were forced to pay. Clever thinking — and a little lück.

That's only one reason for the price increase, but the activity behind it is what's happening. If you're going to boycott something, go boycott the weather. Sure as shit, those soybeans and corn and stuff for all those brand-new 1974 unborn cows hasn't

been planted this spring's monsoon season, and time is running out.

To make things more complicated, the government stepped in and banned the use of D.E.S. — an enzyme fed to cattle to make them beefier. About 10% beefier, in fact. Of course, the trouble is, this enzyme also caused cancer in people. That's why the government banned it.

Alright, so which would you rather have, cancer or expensive meat?

Oh, yeah. I can see all you vegitarian smartasses smirking out there, thinking about how all this stuff doesn't affect you. Well, dig it, folks. If they can't grow soybeans, what makes you think they can grow anything else? Vegitables have already started to rise in price; they're going further faster.

Instead of obsessing about how <u>bad</u> things really are and how totally powerless you are to do anything about it all, you gotta reorganize your priorities.

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Start thinking, very seriously, about cannibalism.

CHAPTER 2 TEARING DOWN THE PILLARS

I'm about to alter a few concepts we've been operating on over here at the Seed.

Chicago isn't hell — it only seems that way. The police aren't as bad as they are in, say, New York or Washington, where the police create about five times as much crime as they prevent. The mass transportation system operates far better — and almost as cheaply, nowadays — as anywhere else in the country. The government is very convenient: if you're a good constituent, there are plenty of people around to buy off to get damn near anything you want. The price might be high, but of course these are hard times.

In spite of everything else we've ever said about Mayor Daley, the Machine et al, Chicago works better than any other big city. If you know the turf.

In the past few months, they've convicted En

APOCALYPSE

Barrett, Otto Kerner (Machine founder Anton Cermak's son-in-law, in case you think ol' Otto's <u>oure</u>, fer crissakes), dozens of police, several important lackeys and now they're aiming for the biggest turkey on the shoot — Thomas Keane, superrich machine stalwart; the man who has almost as much say in what happens in this city than Dlck Daley, and whose finger is in damn near every pie that's ever been in anybody's oven.

Shit, what's this city coming to? And if those guys (the Democrats) are the <u>bad</u> guys, are the guys who slapped them down the <u>good</u> guys? You mean Mr. Nixon's little Terrible Thompson and his Justice Department (I forget who's running the Justice Department these days, they change so fast) are our heroes? The heroes of the people of Chicago?

Hey, lookie here, my fellow anarchists! The moment of truth is at hand! After they tear down the foundation, who's gonna keep things in motion? And if you don't trust the cats who are tearing it down, how are you gonna stop them? Smash the state? Far out, but, like, how are you going to eat?

It's all coming to an end, folks.

CHAPTER 3 THE CUP RUNNETH OVER

If the Seed ran the Watergate story two years ago - that's one year after Kent State - we would

have received a flood of letters admonishing us for paying attention to Sherman Skolnick fantasies and probably a science-fiction contract or two.

I don't quite know what to say next. The mere thought of Watergate blisses me out. I mean, for a while, congressmen and senators and the like were talking about impeaching Nixon! A couple of hours after the Big Cheese makes his "I accept responsibility/God bless America" speech, Republicans are asking for an outside investigator. Maybe the king of Spain

Think about it. What previous scandal ever compromised the FBI, the Justice Department, the White House Staff, the President and an entire political party? The party in power, by the way.

Wow, its great! 64% of the people polled thought Nixon was a lying motherfucker, 40% thought he was involved in the damn thing!

Hey, Nixon! You brought the War back home in six months you managed to attain the same credibility as the entire U.S. policy did during twelve years of the Vietnam War!

And the best part is — no one knows what's next. Tying the Watergate scandal into the Pentagon Papers Trial (one continent apart) was just beautiful. Good grief, who would imagine it? I'll bet Nixon hasn't had a minute of non-drug induced sleep all month.

Just wait. I'll bet somebody successfully ties Watergate in with the assassination of John Kennedy. No kidding — it wouldn't even surprise me any more!

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Picking up the newspaper is like a cocaine rush. I can't believe that it's all toppling over.

Then again, I can't begin to fathom how I'm going to keep my head above water. While the circus is attracting everybody's attention, the war came back in a slightly new location (Cambodia is hardly new), inflation continues to skyrocket because THE GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO WANTONLY PRINT AND DISTRIBUTE USELESS WORTHLESS PAPERMONEY THAT CHEAPENS EVERYBODY'S LOOT (Don't get fooled by all this raising wages bullshit—its merely a traditional ploy to guilt-trip the working class) AND THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO

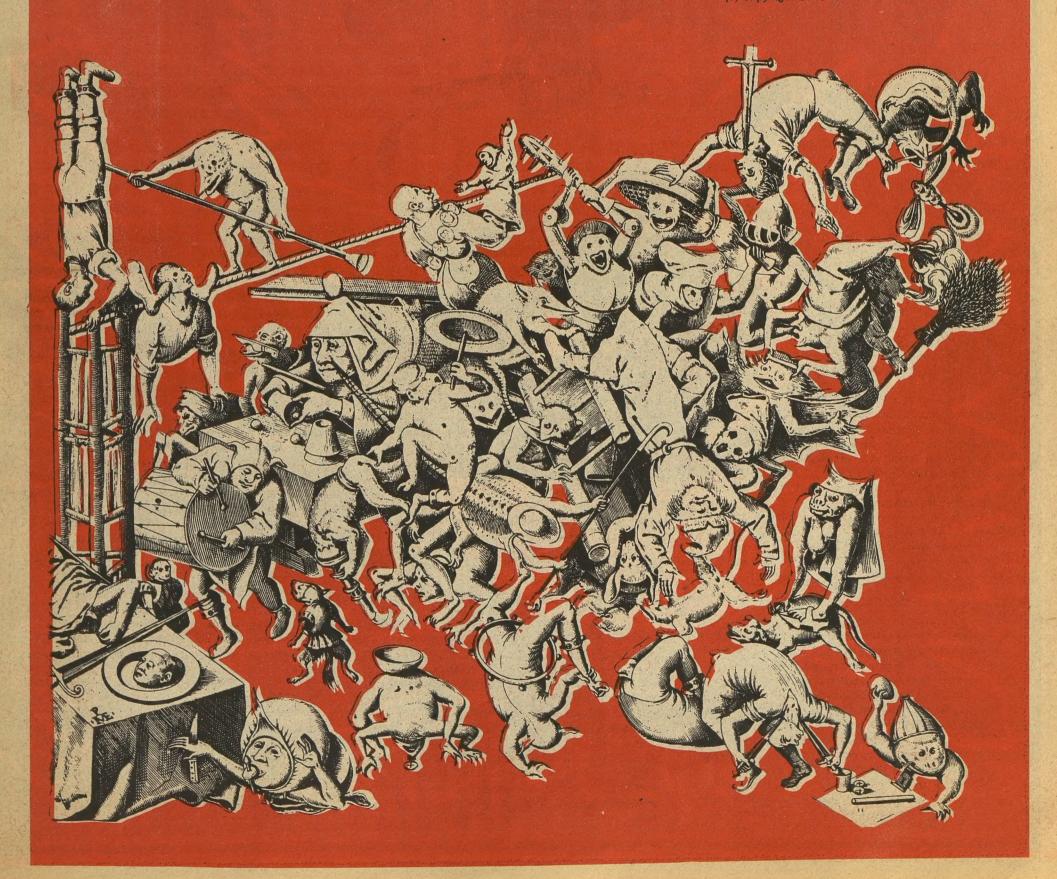
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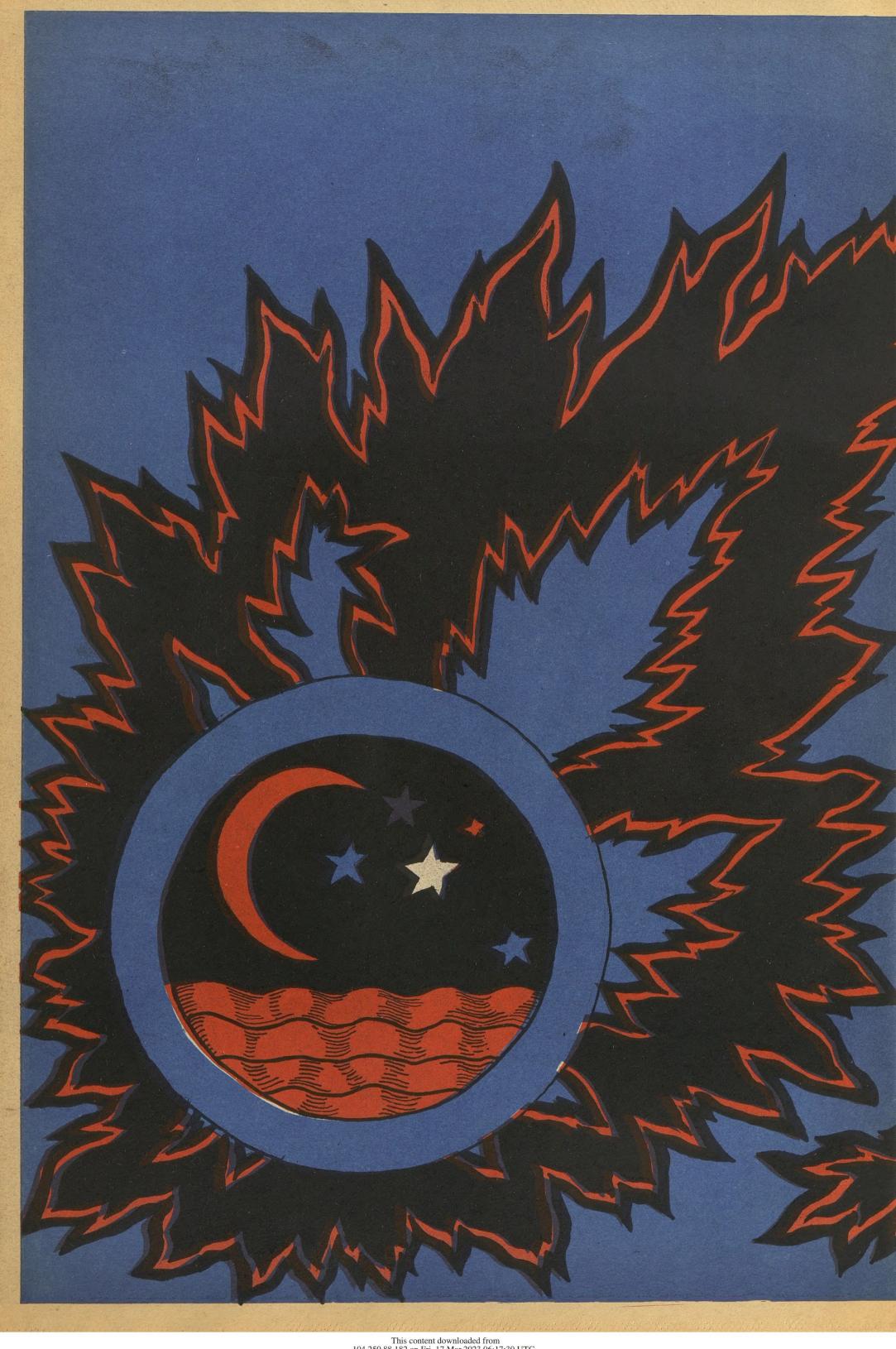
Keep repeating it, maybe while you're looking for a place to hide. There's nothing you can do about it. Things are falling apart too damned fast. Law and order is an abstract concept; even if you think its a good thing, there's no damned way to conceptualize it. There's nothing you can do about it. The government is busy saving its ass, while we all starve. Less food to buy with devalued money.

Of course, there's always a bright side. It really looks like there's nothing they can do about it either.

Mike Gold-

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BELL TELEPHONE!

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN THE SEED'S CRIMESTOPPER'S TEXTBOOK

For all you criminally inclined people out there, here's some more stuff on credit cards, but first, a review of last issue's lesson for those of you who had the misfortune to miss it.

The 1973 telephone credit card codes are:

U-1, R-2, W-3, E-4, L-5, K-6, H-7, A-8, Z-9, N-0 A credit card number would look like this: 697-7072-032R (that's the Pentagon's number).

The first seven numbers are the phone number. The last three and the letter are the RAO code for that city and the letter matches the last digit of the telephone number. Always make sure that the number and the RAO are real (use some big corporation's number) because the phone company has been installing computerized checking procedures. Never use a home phone, never give your name, and keep your calls short. Split fast in case of a hassle. Be sure to have the area code for the number you are using, as the operator may ask. And don't give the operators a hard time — they don't own Bell Telephone.

Now for today's lesson: The first number is the area code, the second number is the RAO for that city (larger ones have more than one). And, when deciding on a number, long distance information is still free (area code, 555-1212).

To charge to a US number from outside the US, Canada, Bermuda, Caribbean, put "1F" in front of the number.

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WOUNDED KNEE, SD (LNS) —The death toll at Wounded Knee reached two on Friday April 27 when Lawrence "Buddy" Lamont, an Oglala Sioux, from the Pine Ridge reservation, was killed in a fire fight. The Indians charge that the fight, which lasted from Thursday night to Friday afternoon, was instigated by members of Tribal President Dick Wilson's "goon squad" which has been acting as a vigilante force since the takeover of Wounded Knee began on February 27. 40,000 rounds were shot into the settlement in the two day fight.

Dr. Richard Basford, who has been in the tiny village as a volunteer doctor, told a press conference in Rapid City that in the light cast by the federal agent's flares, the occupying Indians could see gunmen running along creek beds and hiding behind small

"They come up the creek on both sides," said Gladys Bissonette, an Oglala Sioux and one of the people holding Wounded Knee. "They fire mostly on the offense to get a fire fight against the Indians. The Feds claim that the Indians are shooting at them. The Indians really aren't shooting, it's those goons in the middle — they're a third party. The Federal Marshals all know what they're doing. That's just an excuse to kill us Indians."

Indians recorded federal marshals saying over their intercoms: "Throw gas into that bunker and flush them out and we'll have good targets."

The first person killed at Wounded Knee — Frank Clearwater, an Apache from North Carolina — was released from the mortuary in Rapid City and escorted by 21 cars full of supporters to the Pine Ridge Reservation. Only Oglala Sioux were allowed by the government to accompany the Indian blanket covered coffin. It will be buried in a family plot of Leonard Crow Dog, the medicine man from the Rosebud Sioux reservation.

Sunday night, April 29, the trading post at Wounded Knee where many of the Indians had been sleeping, burnt down. It wasn't clear whether the fire was caused by a government flare or an accident. Water had to be brought in in buckets to put it out.

There is no running water or electricity because a transformer that the Indians had hitched up was shot out on Friday April 28. The transformer had been supplying the electricity to pump water. The Indians now have to go down to the creek to get water and boil it before drinking. They're down to a few bags of oatmeal and beans for food.

The last indoor toilet was also shot out, "but that's OK" said one Wounded Knee observer, "because many of the people here have never had an indoor

toilet."

Some people are still filtering in and out of the settlement, though the number has declined. A number of people almost stumbled into a military-type camp of men with camoflage uniforms on. What branch of service they were, nobody knows.

Sniper fire is now sporadic and continual. "In the early morning there is a shift change of the FBI crew on the western perimiter," said one Indian man working on security inside Wounded Knee. "The new crew is fresh and gung-ho and want to get it on with the Indians. So what they'll do is send a couple of snipers down the side of the hill towards our per-

imiter, 200-300 yards from their bunker which is two armored personnel carriers in an entrenched bunker."

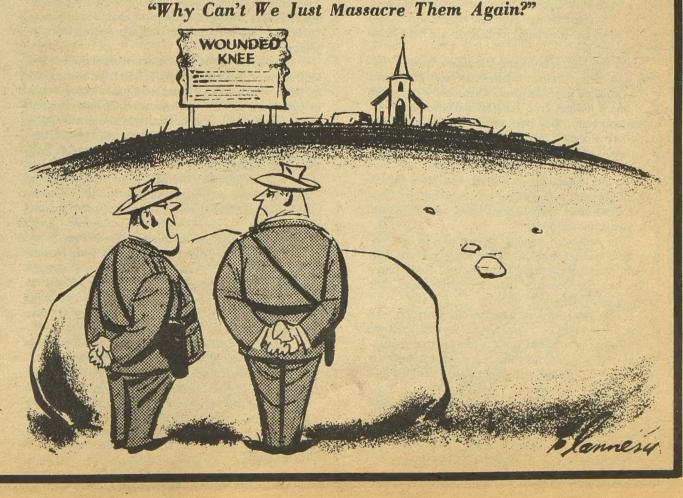
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Ken Frizzell, one of the government negotiators, told the Indians ominously: "The clock is running out, the time is running short. ... In my opinion, if a negotiated settlement isn't obtained in the immediate days ahead, the government will be left no other choice than to take the position that the occupants of Wounded Knee really aren't interested in negotiations or a peaceful settlement. Once that takes place, I think the government will be required to take a look at the harder choices."

-LNS

WOUNDED KNEE

LATE FLASH: As this page was being laid out, we heard that the government and the occupiers of Wounded Knee had reached an agreement to stop shooting at each other. Both sides are to lay down their arms on Tuesday (May 8) and talk. Now you know as much as we do.



some bullshit about the paper

Wish us a happy birthday. The Seed is six years old this month. That's 122 issues. That's a lot of dead trees, though probably less than the Tribume uses up every Sunday.

As you can see, this issue we're back to eight pages in three colors, and if we manage to raise the bread by the time we get to the printer, they'll be in 50 pound offset paper. Makes for much nicer color reproduction.

And that's one reason why the price went up a nickel this issue. The other reasons are because the price of everything from printing to spray glue to film has gone up almost as much as food prices have.

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We keep putting signs up on 950 Wrightwood, but they keep getting torn down. So, that is NOT our office. We finally got out of that elephant farm in January. We're not keeping an open office right now, so if you want us, call 248-2875, AFTER 1pm. THEY won't let us out of our cages until then.

Thanks be to all the people who worked on this issue: Dick, Mike, Bill, Pat, Neil, Fats, Dennis, Dave Burdette, the Women's Graphics Collective, Reyes St. Blaze, Paul Krassner, Liberation News Service, Zodiac (where do you come up with all those goodies?), Liberation News Service, Pacific News Service, STP, Solidarity, Dover Books ripoff graphics books, R. Crumb, A Beardsley, P. Breughel, all our street seller, various dealers and barkeeps, and assorted gremlins and demons. Contents Copywright (c) by the Seed Publishing Company (for what that's worth).

See ya next month. Earlier if we get the bread.

-Dick

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REVOLT in the PHILIPPINES



In this Republic under martial law, with its heavy censorship and its nightly curfews, news is short. But one thing is certain. Hundreds of miles south of Manila, a primarily Muslim revolt is out of control.

"It is like Vietnam," reported an American minister after a recent visit to the war-torn southern islands of the Phillipines. "No government patrol goes out too far from its base for fear of ambush. One doesn't even see the enemy until shots are fired from the tops of trees."

On the Sulu Islands and Mindanao, Muslim peasants and college-trained intellectuals have combined in a formidable guerrilla force. Disturbed by years of government misuse, crop failures, and government-inspired land-grabs, they have set up the "Muslim Revolutionary Forces" (MRF) with a fighting wing of 8 — 16,000 men (depending on whose estimates you beleive).

At the beginning of March, the MRF struck without warning. The effect was devastating. Government outposts were overwhelmed, patrols wiped out. Casualties were high.

The American minister is one of the rare visitors who has returned from the south with an eyewitness account of what is going on. Like many others here, he does not want his name used. But what he says is startling.

"The best word to describe the situation," he claims, "is desperate." The airport outside Cotobato City (in southern Mindanao) "is like an army camp. Light artillery is deployed there, and one can hear the regular boom-boom at night just to keep the MRF uneasy.

"The (Philippine) army travels on the main roads at its peril, and the only relatively peaceful blaces in the provinces are the places from which most of the rebels come."

The analogy to the early years in Vietnam is

not far from anybody's mind. The Philippine army (like the South Vietnamese army) is a striking replica of the U.S. Army. Its style against guerrillas is equally similar. It is sticking close to main roads and the largest towns in the area. Many of those towns are now completely isolated.

When it does "sweep" into the countryside, it does so with a heavy hand. Its unpopularity is growing. The area around the town of Lebak, for instance, "is still unsafe even though the army went there in great force."

The government is, of course, responding to the Muslim revolt with air power. F-86's have been called in. According to eyewitnesses, strafing has been heavy in populated areas. Civilian casualties and refugees are on the rise. Several helicopters have already gone down. Philippine spotter planes are, as a result, beginning to fly higher (and are thus less accurate). And the rebels are still there.

In time-honored Vietnam fashion, government spokesmen have even begun to give out body counts, with the usual inflated enemy dead, and low army casualties.

It is no longer out of the question to hear an official in Manila say privately, "The only good Muslim is a dead Muslim." But President Marcos' government has picked up more than warmed-over American slogans. It has taken over the role the Americans (and the Spanish before them) took in relation to the southern Muslims.

When the Spanish first landed in the Philippines, Manila was under the control of Muslim rulers. But the Spanish managed to conquer and Christianize the whole archipelago — except for the southern islands. Despite long and harsh campaigns against them (some led by Jesuit priests), the Muslims of Sulu and Mindanao were the only Filipinos to successfully resist Spanish colinization.

When the Americans succeeded the Spanish,

they met the same fierce resistance. Like the Spanish, the Americans resorted to a "divide and rule" tactic, accentuating the religious differences between the Christian and the Muslim peasants of adjoining regions. At one point they even went so far as to deal with the Sultan of Sulu as a seperate power.

All recent Philippine governments have used the same strategy, but taken a different tack. They have encouraged emigration from the "overpopulated" Christian provinces to the southern provinces. In addition, they helped to chase the Muslims off their ancestral lands.

Today, a minority in their own country, the Muslims have regrouped primarily in three areas — Lanao and Cotabato in Mindanao, and the Sulu Islands.

A striking aspect of the present "religious" revolt is that its leaders seem intent on not letting it divide along religious lines. They are banking instead on the very strong anti-Marcos feeling in the area.

The leadership, seemingly young, college-educated, and radical has appealed to the Christian populace to support them. They claim that their aim is to overthrow local vested-interests and the martial law government of President Marcos. In their leaflets, they say they will protect all the people against government abuses.

They have, in fact, enlisted what the government refers to as "Christian bandits" and "Maoist youth" in their struggle. The government is, however, trying to reverse this trend by turning the fighting into a religious civil war. Their efforts go far beyond the level of propaganda. They are rearming the Ilagas, a fanatical Christian group.

As the American minister reports, "Because of the Armed Forces' inability to defend itself, the Ilagas have had to be rearmed. The rearming of the Ilagas brings in the added bitter element of religion in a situation which has been largely Muslim versus government. As you very well know, the Ilagas are fanatic (Christians). They wage a total and all-out war against all Muslims — men, women, and children."

Clearly, President Marcos is worried about the events in the south. Economically, loss of control over the south's resources could be significant. Already, rubber and lumber supplies from the area have been seriously curtailed. And the government's high hopes for future oil revenues from foreign exploitation of the Sulu Sea many be endangered.

Militarily, the revolt in Mindanao has stretched the Philippine army extremely thin. It is estimated that over 12,000 troops, well supplied with American weapons, are in the area. Yet they are unable to control the situation, as the rebles in classic style blend into the peasantry in the countryside and receive support from them.

The foreign press has already reported that the U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines said the conflict was beyond the capacity of the Philippine Army to contain. The report has not been denied in Manila.

Moreover, the military is needed in other areas, including districts of Luzon where a Maoist force called the New People's Army has set up its revolutionary banner.

Already, reports are beginning to make the rounds that Marcos is calling for increased shipments of American arms, and possibly other types of military aid. While observers here believe that the U.S. will move with extreme caution on the question (for fear of domestic reaction at home), the U.S. has a lot to lose here if things go badly.

From its vast military base complexes to its billions of dollars of investments, the U.S. has a deep interest in what happens in the Philippines. People here are betting that however slowly the U.S. government may move, if things get worse, move it will.

-Paul Ross, Pacific News Service



"To tell it as straight as I can, Guru Maharaj Ji is now putting together the only truly effective social movement capable of ending war, poverty and hunger. He has already assembled the most incredible human talent I know of in any organization, and His movement is working with more harmony than the Black movement, the Peace movement or the Women's movement ever believed possible. At the age of fifteen, Guru Maharaj Ji is already the brightest event in the history of the world."

Rennie Davis

Five or six years from now, the Divine Light movement may very well be the major non-Christian sect in the USA. I'm not kidding. Followers of the young plump god/man expect to fill the Astrodome next November in a three day rally to begin a campaign to "save the planet." This rally will follow a march for peace starting in New York and ending up in Houston. I expect the operation to be a success. The Guru includes among his followers not only former Movement types but professionals, scientists, business people and very rich devotees. Last year, after returning to India with a planeload of his followers, Indian customs found over \$80,000 worth of currency and valuable jewelry among the belongings of his group. They have MONEY. . . so much so that not only can they publish a slick, well written monthly magazine and have at least one ashram in every major city in the US, but also satisfy the Guru's proclivity for limousines and motorcycles. Add this to the fee for renting the Astrodome for three days and you will have an idea of the amount of \$\$\$ they have at their fingertips.

Architects have already drawn up plans for the "DIVINE CITY" to be built in the US. Besides places of residence and business, there will be eight temples surrounding one of Buckminster Fuller's geodesic domes housing the Temple of Truth.

Prediction: if, as I predict, this becomes a huge thing, the Christians of a fundamentalist persuasion will peg the Guru as the Anti-Christ who has been predicted to come prior to the end of the world. Shit will fly.

In two months, Rennie Davis has become the major exponent of the Guru's "philosophy" due to the fact that he is one of the well known people blamed - or praised - for the social turbulence of the sixties. As you may remember, he became famous

for being a defendant in the Conspiracy trial and for organizing the May Day anti-war farce in 1971.

Before I continue about Rennie and his current trip, let me tell you about Annie Besant and Krishnamurti. If you are a student of philosophy, you may be familiar with Krishnamurti but the name of Annie Besant is one of those which has been relegated by history to be the stuff from which footnotes are writ-

Annie Besant was born in London in 1847 and spent her entire life being an ideological gadfly, running from religion to politics to atheism and finally to mysticism. Her causes and Masters were myriad. She was raised an orthodox Protestant and gradually moved into preaching atheism, feminism and socialism. in 1885 she joined the Fabian Society, an early English socialist organization. Four years later in 1889, Annie was a leading figure in the Theosophical Society, an occult organization founded by Madame Helena Blavatsky to establish a Universal Brotherhood, encourage the study of Aryan Literature and philosophy and to investigate unexplaned natural phenomena. In 1908 Besant came across a thirteen year old Brahmin youth named Jiddu Krishnamurti. She immediately proclamed the youth to be an avatar (god in human form) and World Teacher of the New Age which was to come. "The Order of the Star in the East" was the name of the organization founded to spread the sage mouthings of the young god. Within a short period of time, Krishnamurti was literally worshipped by thousands of people. This continued for twenty-one years until 1929 when the diety, now thirty-four years old, proclaimed that not only was he not God, but that he felt that religion was a cage built by mankind to imprison itself (he has since that time become a major philosopher and founder of a school of thought which does not include the idea of God, an afterlife or ethical norms). Annie Besant never fully recovered from her young god's refutation of divinity. She died four years later, a rather tragic and comic figure.

I mention this brief historical anecdote simply because I see such striking similarities between Krishnamurti and Annie Besant and the current young avatar and his eloquent spokesman. You are of course free to draw your own conclusions.

Let's get back to Rennie Davis.

Rennie Davis was the type of young radical who in the mid-sixties would appear on television wearing a suit and sporting short hair. Very rarely would a smile appear on his face. He was SERIOUS. One got the idea listening to him that as long as any of the various -isms existed that made people oppressed, no one should have any fun. After meeting him a couple of times prior to the Conspiracy trial, my suspicions were confirmed. The trial mellowed him a bit though. He even let his hair grow long and said he didn't mind if people fucked publicly when he was grilled for a couple of days on the witness stand.

I was surprised - but not amazed - when I heard through the grapevine some weeks ago of Rennie's whirlwind conversion. After thinking about it a while things fit into place,

Put yourself in his position for a minute. You have been a leading spokesman for a social movement from its very beginning. After you've been pushing it for a few years, things start clicking. Hundreds of thousands of people march in the major cities to end the war. Universities are shut down almost daily. You are constantly in the public eye. You can see the New World just beyond the horizon. Peace and World Brotherhood will be realized in your lifetime. Then suddenly, everything seems to stop. Fewer and fewer people show up for rallies. Anti-war organizations begin to atrophy from lack of support and loss of membership. Apathy and pessimism replace idealism and optimism. Your constituency deserts you. Then suddenly you come across a movement not unlike your own in its objectives. You are overwhelmed by its charismatic leader and join. You once more find yourself a major spokesman for a Cause. You are needed once again, once more you have a reason to

Am I being oversympathetic? I don't think so. I'll admit, in fact, to a strong dislike for Rennie Davis that goes back several years. After hearing him speak at the People's Church in Uptown recently, what little respect I did have for the man waned considerably.

I felt rather strange walking into the church and seeing that the majority of the Guru's followers were young men with short hair and suits. I learned later that this is the accepted style of dress (along with celibacy, vegitarianism and druglessness) for male members who enter the ashrams. After listening to a rather scruffy minstrel praise his Master, a short presentation by actors mocking straight and "hip" lifestyles followed. Then Rennie Davis proceeded to insult my intelligence for what seemed like an eternity.

He prepared us for his long recital of seat-of-thepants theology and psuedo-science by stating, "Don't use your mind or intellect. It will short-circuit." He stood before a huge picture of the Guru (which I noticed several people grovel before at various times). Davis quoted the Old Testament, told us about a young Israeli man who can rearrange atoms by thought, and talked about God walking around on the planet in the form of "the most staggering man in the history of the Earth - Guru Maharaj Ji."

The most interesting thing I heard him speak about was the story concerning how he became a follower of Mr. Ji. While on his way to meet the North Vietnamese in Paris he ran into two friends who had become devotees of the Guru. They laid a free plane ticket on him and brought him to India with them. Once there, he found himself surrounded by Weatherpeople, Feminists, anti-war activists and stone Marxists who, besides becoming devotees, if we are to believe Rennie, all found themselves ther by "accident." Proof positive that religion and politics are substitutes for one another. Davis then related his early skept-

He didn't go into it too much more the other night, but elsewhere he has elaborated on the actions of the Guru which led up to His acceptance of "Him" as God. He first saw the young man dressed in a business suit, wearing cowboy boots and riding a motorcycle. "He drove it around in circles," Rennie said, "tried ro run people over, tied a bed to it, and dragged people in the bed and people were relating to him as the lord of the universe."

What more can I say? At least he isn't a Jesus Freak. At least he can have a little fun. The worst that can happen, after all, is that God could run over him in His motorcycle.

-Bill Martin



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The Cuban government took official action in April to ban all American and British pop and rock music.

The decision to ban songs by such musicians as George Harrison, the Rolling Stones, Cat Stevens and Alice Cooper came shortly after Raul Castro - Fidel's brother - charged that the music was responsible for "cultural alienation." Although young Cubans have been cut off from direct U.S. influence for the past 14 years, American rock music is said to be particularly popular in Cuba.

Reuters news service reports that the banned music has been replaced on radio stations by "The worst kind of syrupy, sentimental ballads from Spain."

-Zodiac

The funeral industry has launched a national advertising campaign in efforts to revive interest in the good, old-fashioned American-style funeral.

The National Funeral Directors Association is running a series of ads in Time magazine designed to convince people that traditional funerals are the best way to go.

Anti-funeral groups have been promoting, with great success, the idea that a body should be disposed of at once. These groups suggest that a "memorial service" then be held at a later date for relatives and friends of the body.

The Funeral Directors Association, however, is strongly opposed to this concept. They are using Time magazine to promote a variety of pamphlets, including one which encourages open casket services entitled "With The Body Present." The funeral assoc iation states that it will soon pour \$200,000 into a seven-state newspaper promotion campaign in an effort to drum up new business.

-Zodiac

Add Jerry Rubin to the list of "Movement Heavies" now involved in various varieties of mysticism. Jerry's apparently intensly interested in a west coast based psycho-religious movement known as "Erhard Seminary Training," or EST, a semi-mystical movement founded by a young researcher (of what?) named Werner Erhard.

EST is similar to sensitivity training and gestalt therapy - except that it has mystical as well as psychological elements. Many EST followers claim to have come into contact with experiences from previous lives as a result of their EST group meditation sessions.

The organization reports that it is growing by leaps and bounds, and now claims 8000 "graduates," including Rubin. It recently has opened up officescalled "provinces" - in six cities across the US.

Rubin himself, who is described as a strong adherent of EST, could not be reached for comment. He is currently touring Europe.

-Zodiac

A virtually unpublicized nuclear experiment, to be conducted by the Atomic Energy Commission, is scheduled for a Rocky Mountain area in the Northwest of Colorado this spring.

The code name of the controversial project is "Rio Blanco," and the experiment will involve the explosion of three 30-kiloton nuclear devices - all at the same time - at the bottom of a 6000 foot hole. "Rio Blanco" is an attempt to hollow out an enormous underground chimney which will presumably fill up with billions of cubic feet of natural gas.

"Rio Blanco" was given the go-ahead by the Environmental Protection Agency only after the agency was pressured by the White House. If this initial experiment is successful in creating natural gas supplies, then AEC proposals call for the exploding of between 12 and 30 nuclear bombs underground by 1975. And if that experiment works, phase three of Rio Blanco suggests - believe it or not - that between 200 and 300 bombs would be exploded together, probably late in this decade.

Environmentalists, as might be expected, are lining up to oppose the Rio Blanco tests. The AEC concedes that large quantities of radio-activity will leak into the atmosphere, even in its small initial tests. In addition, the Agency confirms that all of the natural gas produced will be made permanently radioactive by the blast procedure, but the Agency insists these radioactive levels will be low. Some of the natural gas produced at first is expected to be so radioactive that the AEC is already making plans to sell it at dirt cheap rates."

-Zodiac

Unborn Danish children may soon become a big import item from Denmark into the U.S.

American families in great numbers have been advertising in Danish newspapers for unborn babies. Most of the ads offer the pregnant mother a free trip to the United States, an all-expenses paid stay in the U.S. plus free medical care and extra money.

An American adoption bureau called "Princetown Presentations" has been placing the ads because abortions will become free in Denmark this summer. The idea behind the ad campaign is that potential mothers, instead of undergoing abortions, can "enjoy American luxury and get paid for it."

The ads ask all interested Danish mothers-to-be to send along the dates of their expected deliveries plus photographs of themselves. According to adoption agencies in the United States, healthy, white, scandinavian type babies are very popular and are in 'short supply" in the U.S. However, minority group babies and babies with birth defects are going unwanted and unclaimed.

-Zodiac

One of the most bizarre aspects of the Watergate scandals is the recurring role played by one-hundred dollar bills.

Time and again - at key points in the unfolding of the Watergate drama — one-hundred-dollar bills have floated into the picture. As an example, take the morning the Watergate case first came to public attention: during the early morning hours of June 17th last year, security agents at the Watergate Hotel complex in Washington noticed that several of the doors into the Democratic Party offices were taped open.

The security agents became suspicious and called police. The police soon poured into the Democratic offices to find five men - with walkie-talkies, eavesdropping devices, cameras and rubber golves - burglarizing the headquarters. The men were arrested, and it was discovered that altogether they had at least fifty-three 100-dollar bills.

One of the five men arrested was a Florida real estate dealter and part-time CIA operative named Bernard Barker. Investigators discovered that, prior to the break-in, Barker had obtained a \$25,000 check earmarked for the Nixon reelection committee. Barker had deposited this in his own Florida account, and then later withdrew this money from his account - in 100-dollar bills.

James McCord, another of the five men arrested inside the Watergate, testified to a federal grand jury that the men arrested last June began receiving monthly payments from the Nixon reelection committee in return for their silence. According to McCord, each man was paid from \$1000 to \$3000 a month to keep quiet. The money was always paid in cash - and in 100-dollar bills. The payments, incidentally, were reportedly made by Dorothy Hunt, the wife of Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt. Dorothy Hunt whose husband is now in jail - was killed along with 44 other passengers in an Airline crash in Chicago last December. When police found her purse in the plane's wreckage, they discovered that it contained 100 one-hundred dollar bills. (In addition, her life had been insured at the airport just prior to the fatal flight for \$225,000 - payable to her husband.)

Just as 100-dollar bills have been found in the possession of the Watergate principals, much of the money pouring into the Committee for the Reelection of the President has been in the form of 100-dollar bills.

For example, what may be the most celebrated and controversial donation to the Nixon campaign was contributed secretly last year by financier Robert Vesco. Vesco is currently under investigation by federal agents for his alleged masterminding of a \$224 million international swindle.

While Vesco was being investigated last March, he met with high-level members of the Nixon campaign fund-raising committee. Shortly thereafter, according to sworn affidavits, Vesco's representatives contacted Edward Nixon, the President's brother. According to the affidavits, \$200,000 in cash, at the request of Edward Nixon, was carried in "a worn brown briefcase" from Vesco's offices to the reelection committee headquarters. The \$200,000 contribution was made in the form of 2000 one-hundred dollar bills.

More recently, the Manchester, New Hampshire, Union Leader reported last weekend that the Nixon committee had received secret campaign donations from both the Teamsters Union and Las Vegas gambling interests. It is alleged that this money was transmitted to the Committee headquarters in cash, and that, once again, 100-dollar bills were involved.

He was from one of those traditional republican familes in Ireland, one of those families that provide almost an aristocracy for the revolutionary counter culture. His father had been an IRA man of some considerable fame, so had his grandfather before that. Given such a background, it was inevitable that he should be one of those picked up in the initial internment round-up of August, 1971.

When the British Army arrived there were two wanted men in his house. Wakened by the sound of whistles and the rattle of dustbin lids (Northern Ireland's warning system), he flung his body onto the stairway, blocking the way for the troops, enabling his comrade a few seconds to escape out the window

to safety.

Robbed of their prey, the British troops punished him sorely for his courage. With their rifle butts and batons they beat him over the face and in the groin, as they dragged him into the waiting Armored Personnel Carrier. Angered and frustrated they continued beating him all the way to the Interrogation center.

Two days and two nights he spent in that Interrogation Center. Terrible things happened there. Though he often spoke freely of the eight months that followed in Long Kesh Internment Camp (he used to say that it was the boredom of the Camp that made him think and turned him into a socialist) he never ever spoke of those two days and two nights at the Center.

Whenever someone referred to it he would tense up and become silent. It was as if he wanted to rid his mind of the experience, to bury it in the back of his brain beyond the boundaries of memory. Since he never spoke of it to us, we never spoke of it to him.

Released from Internment in the Summer of '72, he was a different man. He seemed to have lost his vitality, his enthusiasm, his youth. The experience that he had suffered but never spoke of had left their mark. He began taking tranquilizers and drinking heavily. First one Valium per day, then two, then three, and so it went on. It was agony to watch.

He had so much to offer, yet there was so little to give. Lacking facilities, his comrades in the Official IRA could do nothing but look on helplessly. Little by little they were forced to take away from him what major responsibilities he had in the Movement.

His feeling of rejection that resulted from this turned into a feeling of resentment ("They're a load of Stalinist bastards, run by a clique of bourgeois intellectuals in Dublin" he used to say.) — but in truth the Official IRA had little choice over the matter. Personally in sympathy with him, and always understanding, on a political and activist level they could not afford to take risks.

"A manic depressive" was what the doctors called him.

Some wounds are relatively simple. The body breaks, the blood runs out, the pain cries out. Others are more complex, they are internal, having no physical characteristics. Like ulcers they grow, they linger and then they burst. And the pain, so long repressed, screams out.

Last week he broke. He was drowned in the depths of some terrible depression beyond the reach of other human beings. He had been drinking steadily for a week and had tried to commit suicide that night by downing half a bottle of tranquilizers. His voice was slow and slurred.

"I used to be a good man," he said, "note the past tense used to be."

"You still are a good man" I told him.

"No," he said "see me now, I'm a has been. You remember me as I used to be. I used to be a good man with the sten gun. You've seen me using it. I was accurate, I could control it, I was steady. But now, now I'm for nothing. I'm fuck all. There wasn't a man in this town that could match me. Now I'm finished."

"That's not true," I said. "You're proplem is that you lack confidence in yourself. You don't realize your own abilities."

"That's a laod of shit. Do you know the truth," he went on, "do you really want to know the truth? That night in_____, when I was with_____. He gave me the signal, but, I misunderstood it. I went down the wrong street. There were three soldiers coming toward me. I blattered.

"Do you know my feeling when I did that? It wasn't any thought of socialism, or the Worker's Republic or anything like that went through my head. I enjoyed it. The first soldiers brains were splattered all over the street and I went on firing because I was enjoying myself. I don't deserve to be alive. I don't deserve to be alive."

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And then something happened. The combination of alcohol and the pills seemed to open up some hidden crevace in the brain, some dark grave out of which roared the ghosts of past memories. Sleepwalking, his eyes closed, he rose from his chair, stumbled across the room and leaned against the wall, his legs apart, his arms outstreched. It was painful to witness the seeme

ness the scene.

"My name is_____, my address is_____;
that's all I'm saying," he said. "My name is_____;
my address is_____, I'm saying nothing." He went
on like that for over an hour, repeating meaningless
defiances.

"No, I do not know_____. I have never met him in my life." He was replying to questions that only his memory was asking. "Yes, I have drunk with _____, but all I know about him is that he is a soc-



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ialist. . . .No, I am not his partner, nor have I ever been his partner. . .I don't know what you mean. .My name is______ My address is_____ I'm saying nothing more."

Suddenly he collapsed on the floor, curling up into a ball, the tears pouring down his cheeks. "Don't hit me anymore. Please don't hit me anymore. Don't you understand, I'm not going to tell you anything but please, please, don't hit me anymore." he begged.

He had become a human wreck.
"Here's a glass of water," I said, offering him a

"There's something in that water. That water, it's been drugged!" he screamed. "I'm not drinking any of that water!"

Then he rose to his feet, summoning what dignity he had left in him. "I don't care what you do to me, but you are not taking me back into that room. I am not going back into that room. You can do anything you like. But I'm not taking any more of that heat. . .please, please," he said, breaking down again. "I'm not taking any more of that heat."

By the time the ambulance arrived he had recovered slightly, awoken from his nightmare. "You all think I'm mad, don't you?" he said.

"You're taking me off to the looney bin."
"No," he was reassured. "You've had a very rough time of it. If the soldiers came and beat you up, then you would have to go to the hospital to re-

cover. You've been mentally beaten up, and you need treatment to recover."

"You all think I'm mad," he said as he was led into the waiting ambulance.

Two days later I visited him in the hospital. He was not a unique case. Of the twelve patients in the admission ward, five of them (three Catholics and two Protestants) had been the victims of torture by the British Army.

"They've been coming in steadily since the introduction of internment," a nurse told me. "All of them are perfectly normal people, save for just this. Its not a reflection on them, its a reflection on the sufferings that they experienced."

I went into the ward and saw my friend, he looked healthier than I had ever seen him for months. "You know who is in the bed next to me? A UDA (Ulster Defense Association) man. For the last two days we have been talking. Do you know what we have been talking about? About socialism and working class politics. He has been saying to me that we must get rid of all the bourgeois politicians, and that the working class people, Protestant and Catholic, must solve their own problems. And to think that the people outside think that this is a madhouse. This must be the sanest place in Ireland."

Richard Trench
-Liberation News Service

All The Rews That Fits

The FBI has been using a special program, code named "Inlet" to gather gossip information on prominent persons for the personal use of Nixon.

The existance of program "Inlet" is spelled out in a confidential FBI inter-office memo, written two years ago, which has been released by Wisconsin Congressman Les Aspin. The memo was originally obtained through the FBI's Portland, Oregon, office by a small newspaper called the Oregon Times.

According to the memo, all FBI field offices were instructed early in 1971 to gather peeping-tom type gossip on celebrities and other public persons. The memo specifically states that all agents are to gather "items of an unusual twist or concerning prominent personalities which may be of interest to the President or Attorney General."

Congressgeek Aspin, who labled the instructions "political hack-work," has demanded a full explanation of the memo from Nixon. Aspin points out that the memo was written long before the death of J. Edgar Hoover, and charges that the political use of the FBI was underway before the appointment of L. Patrick Gray.

Aspin's charges are similar to those voiced by Jack Anderson. Just prior to Hoovers demise, Anderson revealed that the FBI had frequently supplied President Johnson with memos on well-known people; Anderson said that LBJ delighted in reading about the intimate details of famous people's private lives.

-Zodiac

Did you know that the Wild Men from Borneo were neither wild, nor from Borneo?

You probably didn't know and you probably don't care, and neither do we. So, if you want to know all about it send i a request and we'll print it next issue.

If things get really tense at the White House, President Nixon can always flee through a special zig-zagging underground tunnel that has a secret entrance somewhere in the place.

The existance of this secret escape hatch came to light during a hearing in Washington April 25th. American Civil Liberties Union attorneys had requested the hearing to challenge a White House rule which limits the number of demonstrators who can legally parade in front of the White House.

Secret Service officials testified under oath that Nixon could escape through a "secret tunnel" if things somehow got out of hand — and if demonstrators suddenly stormed the mansion. However, the agents stressed that such an occurrence was unlikely.

The secret passageway has been described by one former Secret Service agent as a zig zag tunnel which leads into a deep, underground, bomb-proof vault under the Treasury building in Washington.

-Zodiac

Here's a wierd one: According to the Environmental Protection Agency, burping cows are the world's leading air polluters. Cows in America burp out 50 million tons of hydrocarbons each year, and ten cows burp enough gas to heat a small house.

A special six-member United Nations committee reports that black guerrillas and their families captured i Portugese Africa have been systematically subjected to inhuman tortures.

The U.N. Commission on Human Rights said that captured men are often maimed — and then are forced to eat parts of their own bodies. The Commission, in a 150-page report, added that wives of guerrillas ore often raped in their husbands' presence and then killed. Said the report: "aged parents are tortured and murdered and their flesh is offered as food."

These and other tortures were spelled out by the U.N. commission, which has been interviewing scores of witnesses in Africa and Europe. The report accuses the Portugese of using napalm, defoliants and herbicides — all purchased from the "civilized" United States — to terrorize people in African territories. It charged that the government of Rhodesia commonly gives electric shock treatment to prisoners, locks them up in frozen chambers and pulls their finger and toe nails out with pliers.

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When a woman goes to the doctor, she's likely to be drugged, rather than treated for her illness. A man, on the other hand, is usually treated.

According to psychologist Dr. Linda Fidell of California State University, women are given mood-modifying drugs twice as often as men. Dr. Fidell said that physicians tend to take their male patients' symptoms of illness more seriously than those of their female patients. Women, says Dr. Fidell, often explain their emotions as well as their symptoms to their doctors — whereas men tend to describe their symptoms only. As a result, doctors are more likely to prescribe such drugs as barbituates, sedatives and anti-depressants to women than to men.

Or. Fidell also charges that doctors tend to see women as hypochondriacs. A study of drug advertisements in such publications as the Journal of the American Psychiatric Association shows that women generally appear in ads for mood-changing drugs, while men appear in ads for drugs given for specific diseases.

-Zodiac

There used to be just first-, second-, and thirddegree burns. But now, thanks to napalm, bothfourthand fifth-degree burns have been added to the list.

The United Nations has completed a 52-page report on the uses and dangers of napalm — and has concluded that two, more severe categories of burns should be added to the medical vocabulary.

First-, second-, and third-degree burns involve heat damage to the skin only. But now, napalm causes burns even ore

causes burns even more severe than that: a fourth-degree burn entails damage to the skin and muscle, and a fifth-degree burn is a naplam wound penetrating both skin and muscle and affecting the bone.

The United States is one of the few nations in the world opposing a U.N. resolution which would outlaw the use of napalm in war.

-Zodiac

Drug education courses can actually turn students on to marijuana. At least, this is the finding of Dr. Richard Stuart of the University of Michigan.

Stuart studied drug use among 600 seventh and eighth graders who were exposed to a "fact-oriented" 10-week drug education course. At the end of the course, he found that there was a 36 percent increase in the number of grass smokers among ninth graders.

Stuart compared these rates with 350 other students in the same school who did not have the drug education course. He discovered that there was no increase in pot use by students who didn't take the course.

-Zodiac

You CAN catch the clap from a toilet seat! That's what Doctor Claes Henning of Sweden says. He has been able to find traces of living VD germs on exposed surfaces at least four hours after these surfaces were infected. They were prevalent enough in some cases to actually infect someone coming into contact with them.

So, the next time someone comes up with the lame excuse: "I caught it from a toilet seat," maybe he or she is telling the truth.

-Zodiac

Two newsmen with the Los Angeles Free Press have won a landmark decision.

The California State Supreme Court has unanimously overturned the 1970 criminal convictions of Free Press editor Arthur Kunkin and reporter Jerry Applebaum. The two had been convicted on charges of "receiving stolen property" after they published the names and addresses of state undercover narcotics agents in the summer of 1969. The names had been obtained by a state worker from a file in the State Attorney General's office.

In its decision, the court ruled that the lower courts had failed to prove that the Free Press was aware of the fact that the list had been stolen when it published the article four years ago. The high court labeled the Free Press's action as "gross and callous irresponsibility," but it acknowledged that the paper had the constitutional right to print the information.

Zodiac

Medical researchers at the University of Washington report that they are making significant progress in developing a birth control pill for men. (at last!) Doctor Alvin Paulsen has been experimenting on approximately 50 male volunteers with a drug called Danazol. The Seattle researchers say that they have mixed Danazol with a synthetic androgen and have used the pill to significantly reduce sperm counts in the men. There have been no adverse side effects.

-Zodiac

82% of the major employment agencies in four U.S. cities accept job orders from employers who specify that they want to hire a man for the job.

These are the findings of a survey of 459 employment agencies in Chicago, Los Angeles, New York and Philadelphia conducted by the National Organization for Women (NOW). The survey found that most employment agencies will agree to discriminate against women, despite existing laws forbidding the practice.

NOW reports that it conducted its survey by telephone. Women posing as potential employers telephoned the employment agencies and said that they had jobs available for management trainees, systems analysts and merchandising managers. The callers then added that they would hire males only for the jobs. Only 13 of the 459 agencies refused to take the order on the grounds that it was discriminatory.

-Zodiac

The President's Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse reports that marijuana is now the third most popular drug in the United States. In numbers of users, pot trails only alcohol, which is in first place, and tobacco, in second.

The Commission estimates that 15% of all Americans — or 32 million people — have been stoned on the evil weed at least once. In addition, the U.S. Treasury has reported that, while confiscation of heroin last year dropped to half the previous year's total, marijuana seizures doubled to 620,000 pounds. Customs officials estimate that the amount of grass seized represents only about 10% of the stuff successfully brought into the country. That means the grass making it into the states each year amounts to something like six million pounds. [wheel!!!]

The Marijuana Information Transfer points out that this is an import average of 8 tons a day.

-Zodiac

A tenth grade Pennsylvania girl has won first prize in the Susquehanna Valley Science and Engineering fair for her "recycled garbage cookies."

Velma Anstadt is now eligible to compete in the International Science and Engineering Fair in San Diego this month.—thanks to her earthworm cookies. According to one of the unsuspecting judges, "Velma's cookies have a sort of nutmeg shade with little specks in them."

Her project was titled "Development of a new food supplement from recycled garbage." And her formula instructed cookie bakers to take a handful of earthworms and freeze and grind them into a substance she calls "worm meal." You then add the worm meal to the cookie mix and, presto, you have gourmet cookies which are high in protein.

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Every day in every way you are getting dumber and dumber, if the results of the college board tests are any indication. Average scores on both the verbal and mathematical sections of the scholastic aptitude tests have been dropping steadily for the past 15 years. Between 1957 and 1970, the verbal score average has dropped by 12 points, and the math average has dropped six points. Experts studying the drop say they don't think its happening because kids are "stupider" these days; they suggest that basic English and math are losing value in our culture, and that students aren't as interested in these subjects as they used to be, or as interested in playing test games either.

-Zodiac

It is a traditional assumption that every individual is judged by his or her merit, and that social status is achieved and not ascribed. However, as beautiful as this sounds, reality does not always confirm it. In many ways, ascribed roles restrict individual achievement and social deviation. In many areas, these roles are enforced by the existing legal and economic systems. Such is the case with sex.

Sex roles manifest themselves in a number of ways in our society. The most obvious is the breadwinner/housewife division; but there are many more. Sex roles are also reflected in the job market, where such categories as waitress, cashier, secretary, receptionist, baby sitter and maid are still predominantly female, despite some recent progress, and categories such as manager, computer programmer, business executive, salesman, business agent and newspaperman are still almost exclusively male.

What is basically wrong with sex divisions (roles) is that they limit and constrain the freedom of choice which should be the right of both males and females — the right to choose one's career, one's lifestyle and to be oneself without fear of social sanction.

Another important part of sex roles involves personality expectations. While females are generally (there are many exeptions, of course) expected to be gentle, sweet, passive, submissive, unassertive, timid, etc., males who take these "traits" are often referred to as "fairies," "femmes," "sissies," etc. On the other hand, males are generally (here too, there are exceptions) expected to be assertive, sometimes dominating, strong, etc. Females who take on these qualities are also frowned upon in many cases as "uptight." Through sexual personality expectations, somehow qualities which are virtuous and good in one sex are deplorable and "sick" in the other. This reasoning seems neither to be fair nor logical.

A third part of sex roles concerns dress codes, in which particular colors are associated with masculinity and femininity, heterosexuality and homosexuality. People should be able to wear whatever they want without having to fear that it will be "associated with the wrong things."

One important offshoot of sex roles concerns gay people, who often violate sex roles in their questioning of strict heterosexuality. (The definition of "gay" here is bisexual or homosexual.) The result of this is the stereotyping of those (especially male) who deviate from sexual roles as gay, or homosexual, whether they are in reality or not. The words "fairy" and "queer" are often equated with each other, although they differ in that "fairy" describes a "feminine male" and "queer" describes a homosexual. Name-calling and social criticism are the two ways in which sex roles are enforced, and in some cases they work very well indeed, mostly because of the basic human fear of social ostracism.



LIBERATION

Drag queens represent an "extreme" rebellion against sex roles; sometimes drag queens dress as they do to demonstrate what they feel is the absurdity of sex roles and/or dress standards. Sometimes they are expressing what they accept as "feminine" or "female" qualities. This causes many drag queens to "pretend" to be females in the belief that this is the only way they can express their "female" traits. It is easy to condemn or "make fun" of these people, but it is much harder to admit the real cause of their behavior: rigid sex roles which are neither fair, logical, or neccessary.

Until people are allowed to express themselves without restricting themselves into sex roles, they will never be able to be themselves as individuals, or to fulfill their destinies in the true sense. This includes not only a tightening of reinforcement against all sexual discrimination, but also a real re-evaluation of our own views on sex roles.

What sexual liberation basically means is that we must regard each person in this society as an individual human being who has the right to fulfill her or his own destiny, to be him or herself without fear of social castigation, economic loss, legal ramifications, or being subjected to dehumanizing stereotypes or attitudes. In other words, we must abolish all laws against homosexuality and sexual promiscuity (which usually aren't enforced, but when they are the enforcement is often selective - first against the poor, the political and the non-white) and become truly tolerant of homosexuals and bisexuals. This is not going to be easy, but this is what we are going to have to do if we want to have the truly free society we all desire. What right do we have to dictate another person's standards or lifestyle?

The morality that has been "handed down" to us is something we have to deal with too, though (of course) a lot of us have already, usually by selectively rejecting and accepting what we thought was right and wrong about it. First of all, we have to question it, that's important - because we have to establish the way that is best for us and we can't afford to accept values that will not allow our development as full human beings. This regards especially the puritanical values that say we can't have sexual relations with someone we respect just because we aren't married or haven't "dated" long enough. We have to ask if these kinds of values are really helpful or do they just keep us from being happy? Also, we should question the assumptions of sexual monogamy - not necessarily "discard" it (that only we can decide), but at least understand that some people are capable of living in other situations, and they have a right to do that if they feel they should. This must ultimately mean the abolition of all laws against promiscuity (including institutional rape), polygamy and polyandry.

Dave Burdette—

MARINES TO CAMBODIA?

Three thousand Marines have been or will be sent to Cambodia from bases in Okinawa, according to an April 18th report from the United Front, a Gl project of the National Lawyers Guild in Okinawa.

The following information, provided by Marines stationed on Okinawa and distributed by the National Lawyers Guild Military Law Office, is corrected to April 20. (Since then the Pentagon has completely denied all this — several times. That usually means that the story is true and they're trying to hide it.)

* The 1st Battalion, 4th Regiment, left Okinawa on April 5th, supposedly for the Philippines, but went instead to Cambodia from Camp Hansen, Okinawa.

* Motor Transport Battalion 9-1 Marines have seen orders fro Cambodia. The first half of the Battalion left Okinawa on April 17, and the second half left April 23 from Camp Schwab, a remote base on the island.

* Amtrak Battalion 9-2, in charge of amphibious tractors, has already left for Cambodia.

* Battalion 1-9 of the 3rd Regiment will be leaving for Cambodia in mid-May and Battalion 3-9 will follow.

* Charlie and Fox Companies of the 2nd Battalion, 9th Regiment left for Cambodia on April 18. Other Companies were originally scheduled to leave Camp Schwab April 24, but on April 7th their commanding officer gave them 48 hour leave and told them to be ready to leave for Cambodia as soon as they got back.

According to the Military Law Office in San Francisco, the battalions that are being shipped to Cambodia are going to points offshore. The fact that these particular battalions specialize in communications and transport indicates that they are going in as

"support" for other troops, quite possibly the Army of the Republic of South Vietnam, who will do the ground fighting.

In addition, the USS Blue Ridge, command ship for the 7th Fleet's Amphibious Assult Force, arrived at White Beach in Okinawa.

Okinawans have told the lawyer's project that Marines on the island said the ship had come in for planning sessions. At least two other ships, the Monticello and the Friscoe, accompanied the Blue Ridge.

The Defense Department confirms that U.S. warplanes dropped 40,000 tons of bombs — or 80 million pounds — over Cambodia during the month of March. However, in the past three weeks, the bombing has been stepped up to the point where approximately 100 million pounds of bombs are likely to be dropped in April.

The entire population of Cambodia is only seven million people, which means that U.S. planes are dropping the equivalent of 13 pounds of TNT for every man, woman and child in Cambodia — every 30 days.

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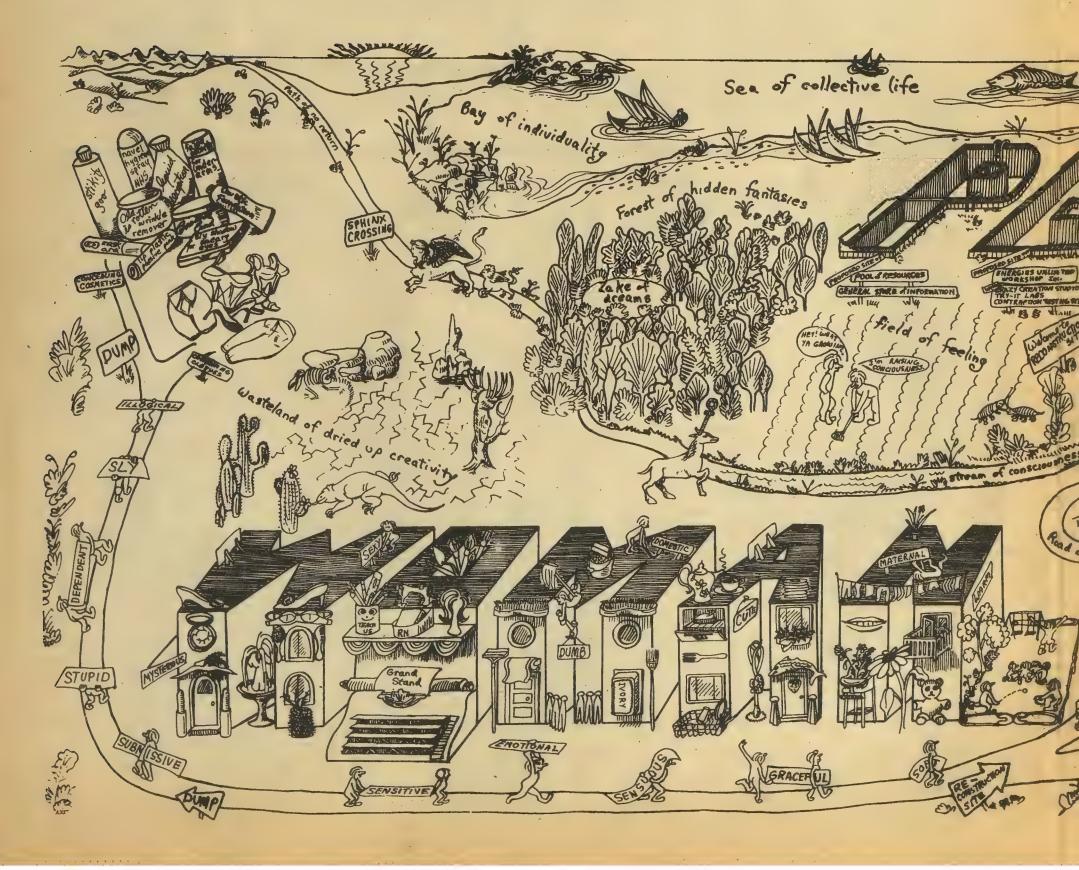
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WOMENS GRAPHI



The Women's Graphics Collective began in the fall of 1970, when a group of women artists got together. They wanted to do high-quality artwork which expressed the politics of the women's movement. They chose silk-screened posters as their medium because they can be mass produced at a low cost. These women were convinced that politics can be expressed effectively and beautifully thru visual communications. They also wanted to fight the idea that good artwork has to be expensive and available only thru restrictive, male-dominated institutions like galleries and museums.

The Women's Graphics Collective had another purpose in mind: to do art collectively. Collective art? People are shocked. Art is expected to be the one place where people cannot work together, where the indivdual ego must prevail. The Women's Graphics Collective finds that collective art works, for three reasons. Personally, working together gives warmth and support, which is a better atmosphere to work in than in traditional isolation of the artist. Artistically, the posters are better and more universal because a variety of ideas and viewpoints has been put into them. Politically, collective art is an alternative to the individual competition and employee-boss system we now have. This is how it works: the posters are conceived and designed in



HICS COLLECTIVE

group meetings where everyone contributes their ideas. One or two people take responsibility for implementing these suggestions, and then bringing what they've done back to the collective for more work.

At present the Graphics Collective has about twelve members, including two part-time paid staff people. These twelve women share all of the work of the collective; designing, printing and reprinting the posters, answering the mail and teaching each other and new women the techniques of silk-screening.

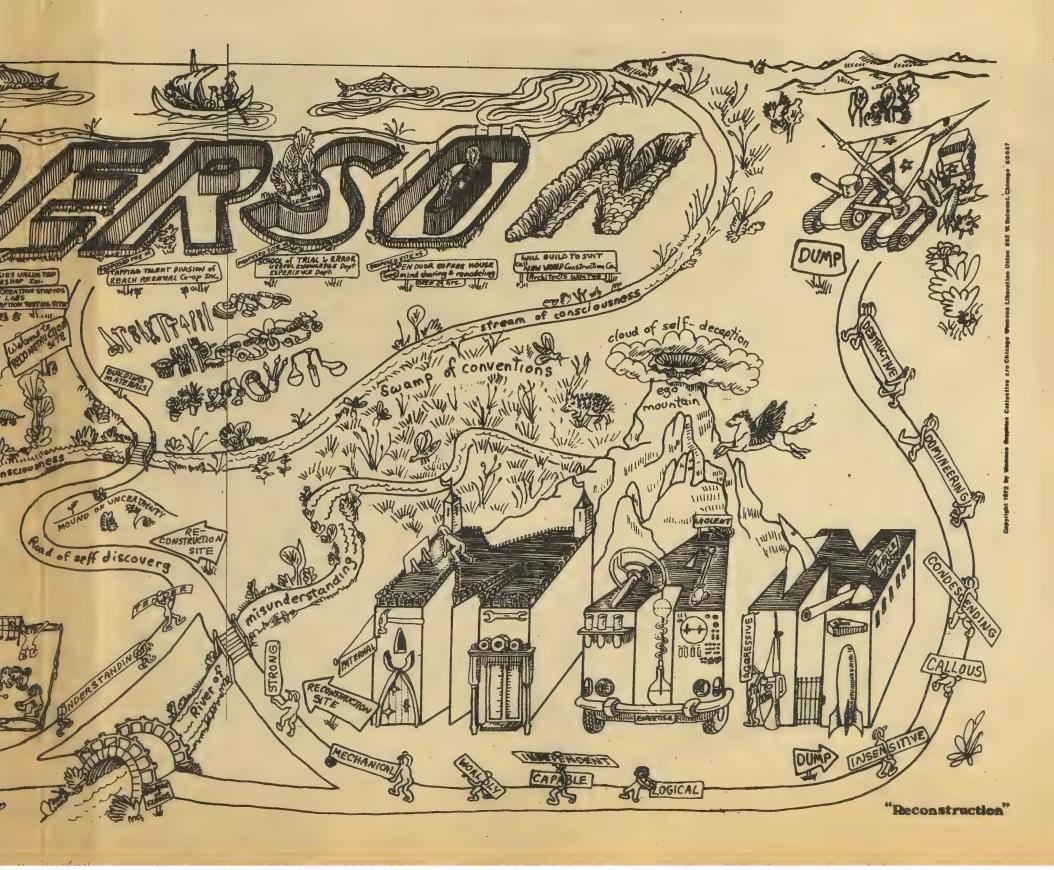
The group is expanding in many ways. They are expanding their studio space to include an office and a darkroom. New members are constantly being integrated into the collective and several new posters are in progress. GC is expanding the scope of its artwork to include art prints, murals, stickers and textiles.

Members of the group do designing and printing on commission.

The collective's work is sold nationally through women's groups and bookstores and to individuals. A free catalogue is available c/o WGC, 852 W. Belmont, Chicago, Illinois 60657.



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The Rews That F

The Reverend Ralph Abernathy, the leader of the non-violent Southern Christian Leadership Conference, stated last week that he would "give serious consideration" to a "violent movement."

Abernathy said that he would seriously consider violence as a means of protest if he could be assured that blacks would not be the only ones killed in the action. Abernathy stressed that he would not necessarily join in such a movement, but he stated that "I would really study it."

Abernathy, who was speaking on a radio talk show in Atlanta, stated: "If there is a program of violence that would feally move into areas other than the black community, burning down the black community and killing black people. ... then I would give serious consideration to that movement."

-Zodiac

A landmark decision by a Florida circuit court may result in the overturning of many of the antimarijuana laws around the U.S.

Harvard botanist Dr. Richard Shultes convinced a Miami jury that current laboratory tests used by police to identify grass are scientifically unsound. Dr. Shultes testified in the case of 19-year old Ruby Wilcox, who had been arrested last November on charges of possession.

Using a series of slides and lectures, Dr Shultes demonstrated to the jury that there is not one, but three kinds of Cannabis plants in the world. Florida laws and federal laws currently outlaw the cannabis plant known as 'cannabis sativa' - the stuff that you get the evil weed marijuana from.

One of the other varieties is 'cannabis indica,' which is not mentioned in Florida law, but is mentioned in federal statutes under poisons. The third member of the cannabis family, 'cannabis ruderalis' is a

species that grows only in Russia. Dr. Shultes testified that once the leaves from all three plants are dried, there is no chemical method of determining from which plant the dried leaves have come.

The jury then unanimously agreed that the defendant might very well have been possessing one of the legal cannabis plants since police had no method of proving differently. T

-Zodiac

Plastics are being used everywhere else, so it was bound to happen in the funeral industry.

A Canadian firm - the Ingersoll Casket Company of Ingersoll, Ontario - is churning out plastic coffins by the dozens. They claim that their plastic caskets look and feel like expensive hardwood - but that they are considerably cheaper. What's more, plastic is popular with pallbearers because it's much lighter than wood.

-Zodiac

H. Rap Brown, former chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, and three codefendants were found guilty March 29 of armed rob bery and assult with a deadly weapon after an 11 week trial in New York City.

The jury of nine whites and three blacks, after deliberating for more than three days, announced itself "hopelessly deadlocked" on a charge of attempted murder of a policeman. A mistrial was declared on that count.

The attempted murder charge would have meant life sentences for Brown, Samuel Petty, Arthur Young and Levi Valentine. The prosecution has not yet announced whether it would ask for a new trial on this

The possible sentences facing the defendants on the robbery charge can be up to 25 years on six counts of armed robbery and 15 years on the assult charge. Brown and Young were also convicted of possessing dangerous weapons and face two additional seven year sentences.

The four were accused of allegedly holding up a New York City tavern and of shooting at police who arrived at the scene. Lawyers for the four argued all through the trial that the persecution's evidence was totally fabricated.

Defense Attorney William Kunstler called the verdict "a miscarriage of justice" and announced plans for an immediate appeal, -LNS

A team of medical researchers has confirmed what millions of potheads have known for years: that smoking marijuana makes time seem to slow

Doctor Jared Tinklenberg and three of his colleauges at the Veterans Administration hospital in Palo Alto, California, compared the effects of marijuana and alcohol on 25 lucky volunteer college students. They found that the students' ability to remember things over a short span and to do relatively simple mental calculations was not particularly affected by either the pot or the alcohol.

But, when it came to estimating how fast time was going by, marijuana apparently had a significant effect. The subjects were asked to count to themselves and to announce when they thought two minutes had gone by. When they were straight or a little high on alcohol, they generally were consistent in announcing when two minutes had passed. Under pot, however, when they announced that 120 seconds had passed, it usually turned out that much less time had actually elapsed.

The researchers concluded that marijuana apparently causes a marked increase in mental activity. They suggest that pot causes one's "internal clock" to speed up - and, therefore, the outside clocks to seem to slow down.

-Zodiac

Army Chief of Staff General Creighton Abrams credit the Indochina war for having given the U.S. military "battle experience." Said the general: "This reservoir of combat experience is unmatched anywhere in the world and will be a source of strength for years to come." Most of the Army's first-line officers have served in Vietnam.

-Zodiac

April 16 this year marks three decades to the day since Albert Hoffman, a research chemist for Sandoz Pharmaceuticals of Basel, Switzerland, ingested either through his breath or his skin enough of a yet unknown substance to project him onto the first trip taken on synthetic Lysergic Acid.

April 19, three days later in 1943, is the date on which Hoffman discovered that the substance that had given him the amazing effects he had earlier experienced was lysergic acid diethylamide tartarate

Hoffman had actually discovered LSD five years before in 1938, but evidently hadn't had enough physical contact with the substance to be affected at that time. We stress the dates it was first ingested as the actual date of LSD's discovery, because although the drug had already been created, the true nature of the molecule was only percieved after it became linked to man's psyche.

So far, after a three decade acquaintance with LSD, the total amount consumed is on the order of pounds, not hundreds of tons, and yet LSD has made many great changes - if not in the majority of people (which it hasn't), in the minds of experimenters who have had positive responses.

It is said that to date 66 or so billion people have lived on the earth. Only a fraction of us thus far have had a chance to experience the wonderous, lucid, confusing, transforming change brought to the scope of the mind by this nondrug-drug.

The cash value of the work a typical woman does around the house is worth anywhere from \$3,700 to \$10,900 a year, reports a team of researchers at Cornell University.

Kathryn Walker and William Gauger studied 1,400 families in upstate New York and found that the wives put in anywhere from 28 to 84 hours a week, depending on the size of their families. No other member of the families studied ever put in more than 21 hours a week. In addition, husbands did not even increase their housework load when their wives took an outside job. Walker and Gauger commented that "while one social convention - that against mothers working - has broken down, another social convention - one that labels most of household tasks 'women's work' - leaves her with a disproportionate share of the household tasks." The researchers concluded that Americans still consider it "beneath the dignity of a male" to perform housework.

-Zodiac

A former inmate of Stillwater prison in Minnesota has police officials checking their wallets.

According to the Minneapolis U.S. Attorney's office, 53-year old Richard Jackson apparently became an accomplished counterfeiter - while in prison. Authorities say that Jackson, who often worked alone in the Prison's print shop, used the shop to print up bogus 20-dollar bills. Without the knowledge of prison guards, he reportedly ran off at least \$16,000 in phony bills, and then hid them away in his cell.

Finally, last month, Jackson was released from prison. He reportedly placed his stash of counterfiet 20's at the bottom of a small cardboard box, and went through the procedures to be released. At one point, he even handed the box of bills to a guard to hold while he signed out.

After four weeks of freedom and a comfortable spending spreee, Jackson was tracked down by Treasury agents. They report that the bogus bills were almost perfect, except that the accused counterfeiter was forced to work with an inferior grade of paper.

Jackson is once again back in a cell, awaiting his next trial. Prison officials say that, if he is returned to Stillwater, Jackson will not be assigned to the print

-Zodiac

The following passage is a direct quotation from a Boy Scout manual of the mid 1940's:

"In this chapter much has been said of the active measures which a boy should take in order to become strong and well. We should be equally concerned in saving and storing up the natural forces which we already have.

"In the body of every boy in his teens, a very important fluid is produced. This fluid is important to the whole body. Some parts of it find their way into the blood, and through the blood give tone to the muscles, power to the brain and strength to the nerves. This is the sex fluid and is forned by the

"When it appears in a boy's body, it works a wonderful change. His chest deepens, his shoulders broaden, and his ideals are changed and enlarged.

"When a boy reaches the age of 15, 16, or 17, this fluid is occasionally discharged from the sex organ at night... it is a perfectly normal experience...boys need not worry about these experiences. They are natural, but no steps should be taken to excite seminal emissions. That is masturbation.

"It should be fought against. It's something to keep away from. Keep control in sex matters. It's manly to do so. It's important for one's life, happiness, efficiency and the whole human race as well.

Keep in training. A cold hip bath will help. (Water temperature 56 to 60 degrees F., sitting in a tub, feet out, 15 minutes at night before going to bed.)

"Seek advice from wise, clean, strong men."

-Zodiac

The Cambodian government has tossed 55 astrologers into jail because they predicted that the Lon Not government would collapse by the end of April.

Thirty magicians, wizards and clairvoyants, meeting in a damp cave in southern Italy, predicted that 1973 was going to be a bad year.

According to Psychic magazine, no sooner was their subterranean meeting over, than all 30 seers came down with bad colds. Not long after that, the group was presented with a bill for \$1170 for the use of the cave. That came to about \$4 for each minute of the seance.

-Zodiac

Jane Fonda has been called a lot of names. But a CIA agent?

Well, Michael Benge, a prisoner of war in North Vietnam for five years, claims that his North Vietnamese captors thought that Fonda was an undercover agent for the CIA. According to Benge, he often discussed with This captors such people as Fonda and other American peace activists who visited Hanoi. He said that virtually all of the guards and even the prison commissioner assumed that Fonda and others 'were being paid by the CIA to come over" to North

-Zodiac

DEEP SHIT

It is not surprising that the major sex symbols to emerge in the past year or so are a swimmer and a skin-flick star. After all, this is the United States in a weird year: 1973, hybrid offspring of the worst of the past two decades and our fears of the future.

The media has been giving a great amount of attention to Mark Spitz and Linda Lovelace not so much for what they do but how they do it: the consensus is that each performs their social function superbly. Each is more than a superstar; each is an exemplar.

Mark Spitz, the sexy rich Spartan with his balls bulging from beneath his skimpy swimming suit and Linda Lovelace, oral goddess and anal devotee are appropriate paper icons for our throw-away society with its newly found genitals. Spitz represents what modern civilization has always wanted — and demanded — from its young men. Strict discipline bordering on ascetisism, good looks

asceticism, good looks tempered by sleek muscles, and an orientation toward success are the earmarks forced on men by society. Linda Lovelace is the new "liberated" version of the All-American girl: mindless, hedonistic and sexual. I think the reason "Deep Throat" has come under such fire is that the authorities feel that the film, rather than being "obscene,"

is an invasion into Miss America's private life.

Now that the flak of the last ten years has cleared away and the utopian visions of A NEW ORDER FOR HUMANITY can be seen for the incredibly bad jokes that they became, many people have reverted to more classical approaches to interhuman transactions. Immediately coming to mind are the young people I've met in the past year who talk about ripping off some butt in the back seats of cars and the young woman who, ipso facto, will not fuck without at least the promise of legal marriage. The old idea of sex being dirty, and at the same time, a sacred gift from god is in abundance everywhere I look. Maybe these people were around all the time and I just failed to see them until now. My feeling is that most of them reached puberty only recently.

Sexual freedom, along with drugs, was at one time the call to a new hedonism. The philosophy of the anti-puritans of the '60's was that, well, after all, sex is just one of many body functions and it is stupid to restrict it by law or custom. Agreed, but one aspect of our various bodily functions and uses of our two or three orfices which the libertines failed to grasp — or chose to ignore — is that sex, unlike eating or defecation, involves power.

Women and men possess in varying degrees per

individual the ability to opress and the inclination to be persecuted. Sexual equality falls somewhere in the middle. The major emotion which obscures this process is the overwhelming need of most humans to give and receive tenderness. This, however, does not stop most of us from engaging in S&M in some facet of our existence. The bed (or car or park or wherever) is the focal point of the orientation one takes in life: to be equal, oppressor or oppressed.

Despite the manic operations to change society around in its social structure and ethical postures, it is obvious that most of the world is still male dominated, heterosexually biased and war hungry. It has It has been like this for centuries and there is absolutely no reason to believe that this situation will change appreciably in the future. History has not been made from the stuff of love, compassion or equality. The past has been forged from power, deceit and greed. Who can deny that sex is not intrinsic to these forces? Who can deny that the forces of history, by their very nature, work for the death of everyone? Who can say that anything besides sex and death remains after all illusions are stripped away?

Who cares?

-Bill Martin





Rumpleforeskin's Column

When I was a kid, Frank Sinatra was my hero.
He had made a little film called The House I
Live In. He sang the title song, whose lyrics chorused:
"All races, all religions/ That's America to me. .."

Once I even won first prize for the best costume at a masquerade party where I went dressed like Frankie-boy, as he was nicknamed by the swooning predecessors to modern teenyboppers.

In those days he was doing benefits for a Communist candidate, Vito Marcantonio, in New York City. He's come a long way since then, baby.

Inasmuch as The Godfather is a propaganda movie — attempting to convince the public that when the government cracks down on the Mafia it will be the end of organized crime — the Sinatra prototype is not shown to have any political connections.

But in real life, Frankie-boy was a leader of the Hollywood clan linking show business and the White House during the Kennedy years, along with Peter Lawford, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr. and Joey Bishop.

It was Papa Joe Kennedy who persuaded Sinatra to drop his plan to produce and star in a screen adaptation of The Execution of Private Slovik, the true story of an American deserter by William Bradford

The assassination of President Kennedy left a certain power void. But Governor Ronald Regan introduced Sinatra to Spiro Agnew. When Dinah Shore switched from Agnew to Burt Reynolds, and left another kind of power void, Agnew got involved with Barbara Marx, former wife of Zeppo, and she was referred to as his constant Palm Springs tennis partner.

Washington Post columnist Maxine Cheshire mentioned this charming couple, and consequently Sinatra had a screaming fight with her. He called Ms. Cheshire a whore, a cunt and a journalist.

The rise of Agnew from PTA to Governor of Maryland to Vice-President was lubricated by Greece. In fact, Nixon's proposed budget director, Roy Ash, who went from Howard Hughes to Litton Industries, was the one who channelled CIA funds through the Pappas Foundation to finance the takeover of the Greek government as a dress rehersal for the United States.

I wrote about this to Senator William Proxmire, of the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban

Affairs. His reply: "Thank you for your recent letter regarding Roy Ash. I will take your views into consideration should Roy Ash come before the Senate for our confirmation. Thank you for writing to me on this matter. Sincerely...."

I've also written to Norman Mailer, suggesting that he be more aware of reactionaries in liberal clothing. The laughter at his idea of forming a Fifth Estate which would serve as a counter-intelligence agency was led by Arthur Schlesinger, who was in the room during Reinhard Gehlen's transmutation from Hitler's chief intelligence officer to our very own. Later, as an adviser to President Kennedy, Schlesinger lied blatantly to the New York Times about the invasion of Cuba.

Mailer is currently working on a biography of Marilyn Monroe. (Ed. note: yech!) I suggested that he inquire into the 723-page report by a suicide investigation team, only 51 pages of which were allowed to be made public. Marilyn, who placed her final telephone call to Peter Lawford, had been making it with both Jack and Bobby Kennedy.

I once had a discussion with Bob Dylan about the relationship between gossip and information. He claimed not to be interested in gossip. But when he mentioned that he didn't like El Topo, I told him that Jodorowski was then trying to arrange for an 18-year old transvestite from The Cockettes to move in with him and his wife.

Dylan smiled and said, "Yeah, that's information."

I've interviewed a woman who slept with Henry Kissinger and says he is a lousy lay. He ate dinner but not her. Sexual impotence seems to function in direct proportion to one's power drive. The choice of an appropriate metaphor is the best a mass medium can sometimes do to communicate the truth about celeb-

So, when Mamie Eisenhower was boozing it up, Newsweek reported that she "sat tight in the other room." And when Lyndon Johnson scratched his balls openly, a wire service dispatch stated that "The President handled himself well." Now Marlo Thomas says that she found Henry Kissinger "a nice, sensitive man" —, but, she adds, "no cannons exploded."

It was only when Kissinger's image as a playboy stud had been hyped enough, that his Nazi accent was permitted to be heard. Previously you could merely see his mouth moving during a press conference.

Henry was supposed to have fled Germany with his parents to escape fascism rather than bring it along for the ride, but it is certainly legitimate to wonder how they managed to take all their antique furniture with them across the Atlantic.

And so we return to the land of Frank Sinatra, who gave \$50,000 to get Nixon and Agnew elected. Private phone calls from the New Orleans underworld to Sinatra to Agnew to L. Patrick Gray, which resulted in the forced retirement of Wes Graph, who was head of the FBI in Los Angeles when evidence concerning the assassination of Nixon's competitor, Bobby Kennedy, was surpressed.

Graph's alleged anti-mustache fetish was a decoy. Actually, he had illegally "borrowed" huge sums from Nixon's old crony, C. Arnhold Smith.

It's not clear yet whether the embarrassment caused by public exposure of Spiro's romance is just a subterfuge for pushing John Connally ever more into the limelight by Kissinger and Nixon.

The same Texas oil money behind Connally is financing those hard-core organized Jesus Freaks who are the American equivalent to the Hitler Youth Movement.

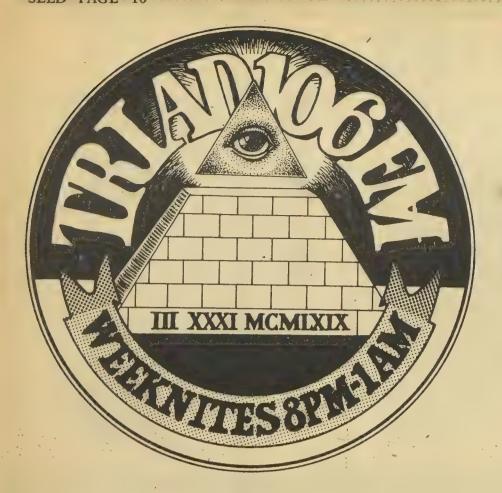
Herbert Mullen, indicted for a bunch of murders in Santa Cruz, California, is a product of the country's well-financed Programmed Christian Vegetable drug abuse prevention center. The local ABC television station has seen fit to editorialize about the necessity to "clean out the Santa Cruz mountains."

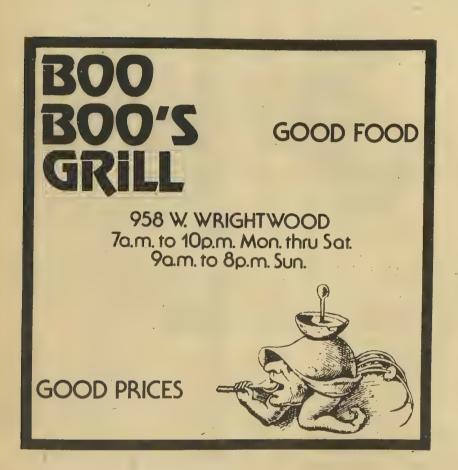
That means UTE's — Undesirable Transient Elements — whose transiency is measured soley by the length of their hair. This country is too sophisticated to foster outright anti-semitism, but hippies are becoming honorary members of the third world as their scapegoat quotient increases with each act of provocation.

And now you know why the ABC network has postponed, apparently indefinitely, their announced intention to show the film Z, which delineates how the military dictatorship seized power six years ago.

After all, any architect can tell you that a blueprint will fade away the more it's exposed to sunlight.

Paul Krassner





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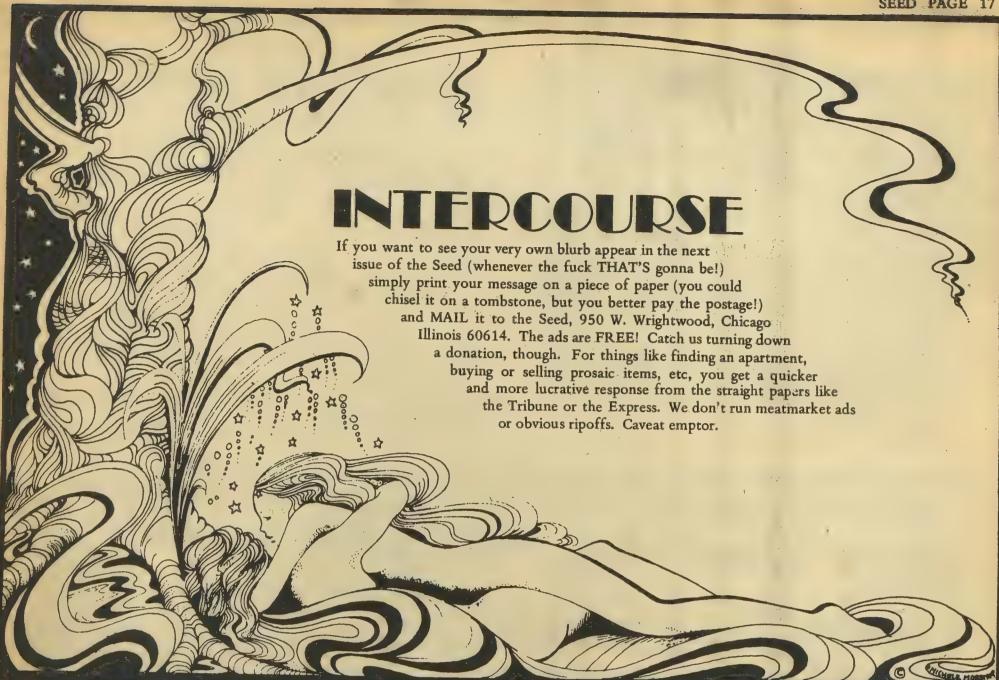
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Events

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The National Lawyers Guild is putting on a People's Law School so you can find out about the law and getting fucked over by it. Classes on Landlord-Tenant laws; Welfare, Women & the Law, and seniro citizens and the Law. Classes start May 15 and you should call the Guild at 939-2492 and getthem to send you a schedule.

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Gay Liberation office open Sunday-Thurs. nites at Ida Noyes Hall, 1212 E 59th. Stop by to talk about problems or just to talk. Or call 753-3274. Monday is vomen's night.

The Children of Light are calling a gathering this summer, starting July 1st, at Paradise Lake, Wind River Wilderness, Wyoming. Everyone invited.

Mee, too? Mike the Geek.

For all you conference freaks, there will be a Founding Conference for the National Defense Organization Against Racist Repression and Political Repression, May 11 - 13, at the Pick-Congress Hotel, 520 S. Michigan. Loads of speakers including Angela Davis, Ralph Abernathy, Aim and others, and lots of workshops that look pretty interesting. For more info call 421-7271.

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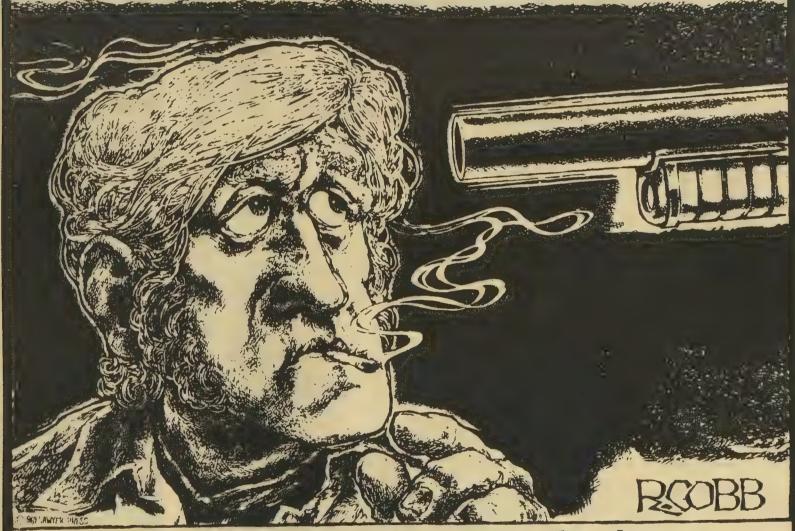
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SPACY PAGE

BAREFOOT IN THE MOUTH

BAREFOOT IN THE HEAD:

Brian W. Aldiss, Ace Books, 95 cents.

I am not the most discriminating of readers. I will, in fact, generally read any book that I have started to its very end. When I get very bored and have nothing to do, I will many times sit down with the Yellow Pages for a couple of hours and have a very interesting time. With this in mind, let me tel you why I thoroughly disliked Barefoot in the Head.

IT'S BORING!!!

Probably the two most tiresome and boring things, besides school, are old home movies of people you could care less about and someone else describing their latest acid trip.

Barefoot in the Head reminds me of both.

Briefly, the plot involves one Colin Charteris as the main protagonist, who finds himself as a government bureaucrat in a wrold populated for the most part by victims of the Great Acid War. In other words, nearly everyone is tripping constantly and perceiving reality in such diverse ways that very little can be agreed upon. I think that it is a great plot, pregnant with many interesting possibilities (which, I might add, Aldiss fails to pursue) but the book is written as though the author were the most wasted acid crawlback in existance. I have visions of his publisher chaining him to a typewriter and saying, "As soon as you write two hundred and eighty pages I'll let you go."

Of course, I know better than that. Almost everything else that I've ever read by Aldiss has been above average in my estimation. He explores the mind, probes into new areas of thought and generally is able to show us the underbelly of existance and entertain us with his own eccentric views. Aldiss is one of those writers associated with what is called the "new wave" among science fiction readers. (I might add that the new wave has been around about ten

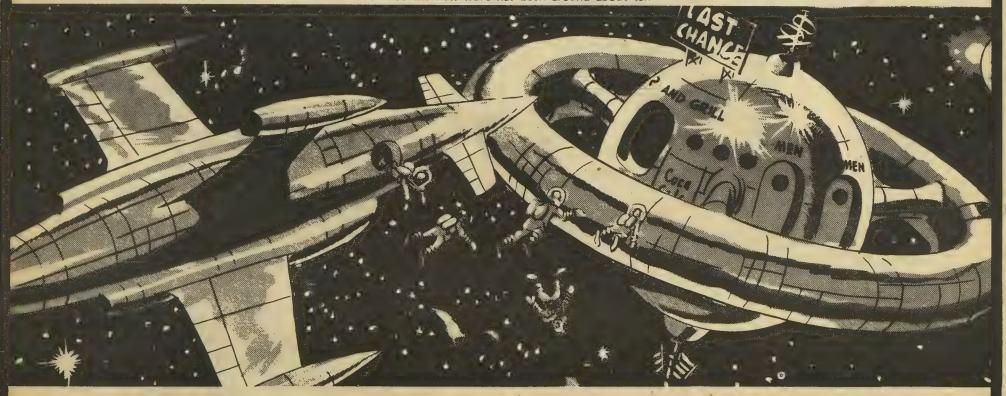
years now and it is still called "new;" I guess no one has been able to come up with anything else).

Rather than belabor the point I made several paragraphs ago, let me quote a passage I have taken from the book and consider representative of its structure, style and content:

Some of them unbuttoning their tunics revealed amazing feats of tatotemism etched into tomato pink and ink-blink blue where one glimpsed disembedded legs pierced hearts tangles of thorns weeping faces famous negroes dripping daggers mercedes battleships obscene inscriptions and butterflutes gothickly growing round breast of gristle so Gloria screamed from underneath "Ooh this blokes body's his mindmap!"

The imagery is very good: the well used choice of words from which poetry is made, but <u>Barefoot</u> is not a poem. It is a book of almost 300 pages. I wasted my time reading it.

-Bill Martin



AND THE WINNER IS.... ASIMOV?

Dear Reader will have noticed, I'm sure, we have more-or-less institutionalized a science-fiction review column over the past half-dozen issues of the Seed. For some odd reason, a high percentage of our readership reads various forms of science-fiction, and our column has been extremely well received.

The editorial collective folks over here have been thinking about running some politically-oriented science-fiction — of the type published in Thomas Disch's original anthology, <u>Bad Moon Rising</u> (reviewed here next issue), Harlan Ellison's <u>Dangerous Visions</u> anthologies and/or Michael Moorcock's <u>New Worlds</u> books. About the only thing holding us back is that most s-f writers usually write for <u>money</u>, something the Seed doesn't have much of.

Be this as it may, we thought you folks might be interested in the 1972 Nebula Award winners, announced April 28 at the Science Fiction Writers Association banquets.

Best Novel

1. The Gods Themselves, Isaac Asimov

- 2. When Harlie Was One, David Gerrold
- 3. Dying Inside, Robert Silverberg

Best Novella

- 1. A Meeting With Medusa, Arthur C. Clarke (Playboy)
- 2. The Fifth Head of Cerberus, Gene Wolfe (Orbit)
- 3. The Word for World is Forest, Ursula LeGuin (Again, Dangerous Visions)

Best Novelette

- 1. Goat Song, Poul Anderson (Fantasy & Science Fiction)
- Patron of the Arts, William Rotsler (Universe)
 The Animal Fair, Alfred Bester
- (Fantasy \$ Science Fiction)

 Best Short Story
- 1. When it Changed, Joanna Russ (Again, Dangerous Visions)
- 2. And I Awoke and Found Me Here on the

Cold Hill's Side, James Tiptree (Fantasy & Science Fiction)

3. Against the Lafayette Escadrille, Gene Wolfe (Again, Dangerous Visions)

Those of you who are new to science fiction and have been reading our reviews and are beginning to understand that science-fiction is quite a bit more than bug-eyed monsters menacing Dale Arden-type scientists, but are looking for a place to jump in are advised to pick up either of Harlan Ellison's <u>Dangerous Visions</u> anthologies (you'll note the three winners from Again, DV). Whereas these collections — all original material, by the way — are of a highly experimental nature and a few of the experiments don't quite make it, there are several thousand pages of great stories to be found amongst the two volumes.

The Nebula information comes courtesy of Locus, a bi-weekly s-f newsletter published by Dena and Charlie Brown, 3400 Ulloa St, San Francisco, California, 94116.

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All The Rews That Fits

Muhammed Ali has been nominated for a poetry professorship at Oxford University in England. Two Oxford lecturers have formally entered Ali's name into consideration for the post, which becomes vacant this November. There are reportedly two other poets who have been nominated.

Duncan MacLeod, one of the faculty members responsible, insisted that the idea is not a joke. He pointed out that Ali likes to talk, sometimes in rhyme, and that the'

and that he's a great public speaker. The professorship pays under \$2000 a year, but the work is very light: it requires one lecture per academic term.

-Zodiac

A Texas college student has been freed from a mental institution where he had been confined without a trial.

The student, who was identified in legal papers only as "M.W.," had been confined purely on his father's allegation that he was crazy. The student was set free when the ACLU proved that the only evidence of his insanity was that he spent last summer riding around the country on a motorcycle and that he had done some volunteer work on an Indian reservation.

-Zodiac

The United States is producing 360 million tons of wastes each year, about one million tons a day.

A suburb of Sidney, Australia, has banned high rise buildings, but not for the usual aesthetic or economic reasons.

The suburb of Kogarah has outlawed highrises because citizens there believe tall buildings cause people to go crazy. Australian psychiatrist Karl Koller conducted a survey which convinced the people of Kogarah to ban any buildings more than three stories high. According to the shrink, high rise buildings contribute to loneliness and dehumanization, which can lead to depression and mental illness. Dr. Koller also insists that these tall structures eventually lead to increased suicide rates.

Although one case obviously can't be accepted as proof, a survey has found that Kogarah has only half the suicide rate of nearby Cronulla, a high rise development.

-Zodiac

Scientists from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration have found widespread deposits of petroleum wastes and pieces of plastic in a survey of 665,000 square miles of ocean.

The researchers said that they used small mesh nets strung from three ships to pick up debris off the east coast of the United States, in the Caribbean and in the Gulf of Mexico. They report finding everything from fist-size chunks of tar to "spaghetti-like strands of oil" to bits of plastic sheeting and other plastic particles. They also found traces of petroleum in plankton samples and tiny pieces of plastic inside newly-laid fish eggs.

-Zodiac

Police in conservative Orange County, California have seized copies of the past two issues of the Los Angeles Star and have issued warrants for the arrest of the entire staff on obscenity charges.

The Star has been busted recently in San Bernardino and Riverside counties; the City of Newport Beach has revoked Star newsstand licenses; and the city of Downey is considering similar action. Police have also urged Bell Telephone to file charges against the paper for publishing current telephone credit card numbers for readers who want to cheat the phone company.

The Orange County District Attorney says that the action was taken against the Star because the newspaper is available to children. But editor Paul Eberle says the police action followed the appearance of a comic strip which showed two deputies raping two hitch-hikers, and then being shot by black revolutionaries. Eberle has described police raids on newsstands as "illegal" and "unconstitutional."

-Zodiac

One of the most carefully guarded secrets of the American misgovernment is the size and budget of the U.S. intelligence apparatus. Senator William Proxmire, a Democrat who crusades against Pentagon "inefficiency," recently made public cost and staff estimates in a speec to the U.S. Senate.

His estimates, along with a description of each agency:

Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) — a workforce of 15,000 and a budget of \$750 million to collect and evaluate intelligence from other agencies as well as from its own clandestine missions overseas; also conducts espionage and counter-espionage.

Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) — a workforce of 5,000 and a budget of \$100 million to assess military strength of friend and foe, and to coordinate the intelligence efforts of the Army, Navy and Air Farce.

National Security Agency (NSA) — a workforce of 20,000 and a budget of \$1 billion to monitor all forms of foreign communications, break foreign codes, code and direct U.S. messages, and conduct international electronic survellance.

State Department's Bureau of Intelligence and Research (INR) — a workforce of 335 and a budget of \$8 million to compile information on political and economic developments abroad.

Air Force Intelligence, Army Intelligence, and the Office of Naval Intelligence — a workforce of 88,500 and a budget of \$4.35 billion to collect anything of military interest for the three services. Air Farce Intelligence gets by far the largest slice of the pie with 60,000 employees and a \$2.8 billion budget. The Army and the Navy have 18,500 and 10,000 intelligence personnel respectively; each operates with a \$775,000 million intelligence budget.

Other intelligence agencies, omitted from Proxmire's statistics, include the Atomic Energy Commission, which gathers nuclear data, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation [can't forget them — they don't forget us], which handles counterintelligence, counterespionage, and countersabotage chiefly within the borders of the U.S.

• Total up Proxmire's figures and you get \$6.2 billion a year, and 129,000 employees. And some of them are spending some of your tax money to watch you.

The Justice Department has announced that it is abolishing its Internal Security Division.

The Internal Security Division (ISD) is the special branch which has been investigating and prosecuting alleged radicals and political activists. The Division has been headed by Assistant Attorney General William Olson — and its most active persecutor has been Special Attorney Guy Goodwin, a Washington DC lawyer who has organized dozens of grand jury investigations into radical activity around the U.S.

A Justice Department spokesman said that the abolition of the ISD will not mean an end to the grand jury crusade against the Weather underground and other alleged political subversives. Instead, most of the personnel, including Goodwin, will be reassigned to the Criminal Division of the Justice Department as part of a "streamlining effort" on the part of the department. The spokesman did say that one of the reasons for abolishing the ISD was the fact that "the Vietnam war is winding down," and that protest activity against the war and the government in general seems to be on the decline.

Assistant Attorney General Olson, who had been chief of the ISD for the past year, has announced that he is retiring from the department. The ISD operated on an annual budget of \$2.7 million, and employed 140 people — including 60 attorneys — in its war against "subversives" and "terrorists."

-Zodiac

Former Oklahoma senator Fred Harris charges that tax loopholes are costing the U.S. Treasury between \$50 and \$80 billion a year. Harris recently launched a tax-reform group called "Tax Action Campaign." He states that while most companies pay 44% of their income in taxes, the 16 largest oil companies pay only 6.7% of their income in taxes. Harris adds that if all the tax loopholes were closed, the average taxpayer would have her taxes cut by 43 percent.

-Zodiac

A Pennsylvania school district is planning to administer a psychological test to all of its eighth-graders in order to identify "potential drug abusers."

The Norristown school district, located near Philadelphia, has hired a psychologist, who refers to himself as a "psychometrist," to administer the tests to the students. The wide-scale testing program, however, has been temporarily halted by the American Civil Liberties Union through a federal court suit.

"Psychometrist" Fred Streit has told the school board and the Montgomery County Commission that potential drug abusers can be spotted at an early age by their attitudes toward their parents. It is Streit's theory that a test composed of several hundred questions can determine what a child thinks of her parents, what she thinks of her peers, and what she thinks of herself. The school board has agreed to have Streit test the eighth graders, and then to adopt a program called "Interventions" to "treat" those identified as potential abusers with group therapy and counseling.

The ACLU, however, insists that the testing program is "a gross violation of privacy." In its suit against the Norristown action, the ACLU said that the questions involve the very private matters between a child and her parents — and charged that several of the questions in the test probe a child's religious and racial feelings. According to the ACLU, the tests ask children to rank their schoolmates as to certain qualities. If the Norristown district wins the suit, the ACLU expects hundreds of other districts across the U.S. to adopt such programs.

-Zodiac

The Consumers Union of the United States has strongly attacked the Food and Drug Administration's standards for filth levels in food sold to consumers.

Under existing FDA rules, it is permissable to sell wheat containing approximately one rat shit pellet per pint of grain. In addition, peanut butter is regarded as "acceptable" by the FDA if it contains no more than 50 insect fragments or two rat hiars per three-and-a-half ounces. And the FDA gives the go-ahead to chocolate containing up to 150 insect fragments in an eight-ounce sample.

The Consumers Union reports that it has conducted its own tests on food products and has found that most of them can be produced quite easily with much cleaner standards. The CU states that both peanut butter and wheat are commonly produced almost entirely clear of filth when consumers demand it. However, because of the "relaxed standards" set by the FDA, some food processors are actually encouraged to get careless, the Consumers Union said.

The group says that it studied chocolate and found that food-makers commonly produced 8-ounce samples with from zero to ten insect particles. However, when consumers didn't demand it, the particles jumped from 30 to 80 insect parts. The FDA's acceptable level is 150 parts of roaches and flies.

-Zodiac

Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz and several of his assistants were flying back from Europe early in April when the in-flight movie came on the screen.

To the Secretary's horror, it was a Jane Fonda film. Butz complained to airline stewardesses, who explained that they had no way of stopping or changing the movie. So, Butz and his party left the first class seats for the tourist section, where they watched a Walt Disney movie instead.

-Zodiac

A baby boy with two heads was born in Argentina April 19th and is reportedly doing well.

A doctor at the regional hospital in Tucuman, Argentina, told Teuters News Service that the child is a type of Siamese twin. X-rays have found that the child has two hearts and two sets of lungs as well as two heads — but his body outwardly appears to be normal.

According to medical sources quoted by the Argentine National News Agency Telam, the baby's heads are quite separate, with two necks joining just above the shoulders. Medical experts say the case is not unprecedented — but added that most, if not all, such babies have died in infancy.

-Zodiac.



Speed Freaks Page

We're getting more drug samples in for analysis these days that are supposed to be amphetamine. 15 of the 56 samples brought in since the beginning of the year were reputed to be speed. While some samples have tested out to be the real thing, a number are only caffine (the mild stimulant in coffee).

Most of the samples we've been getting do not come from pharmaceutical manufacturers — they're bootlegs, made illegally and usually badly.

Amphetamines (dexedrine, methadrine, benzedrine, biphetamine, desoxyn, etc.) are central nervous system stimulants. They are used medically to treat obesity, sleeping sickness and hyperactivity in young children. 8 billion doses are legally manufactured each year. 8% of all prescriptions written are for amphetamine. Around 40% of all legally produced speed is unaccounted for — most of it is diverted to the street and sold illegally.

The usual therapeutic dose of amphetamine is 10 – 30 milligrams. The high reaches its peak from two to four hours after the drug is swallowed and lasts for six to eight hours. Speed decreases appetite, increases heart rate and blood pressure, dries out the mucous membranes, dilates the pupils of the eyes and increases the body output of urine and perspiration. While high on speed a person feels full of energy, euphoric and powerful. He/she is usually talkative and restless.

Habitual users develop a tolerance to speed — it takes an increasingly larger dose to get off. Some speed freaks take as much as 2000 mgs. a day — a dose that would kill a non-user.

Amphetamines are physically addictive. If a speed freak doesn't get the accustomed dose, the user goes into withdrawal. Paranoia, fatigue, depression and memory loss are the major symptoms of speed withdrawal. These symptoms may last as long as 12 months.

Overdose cases are rare but very dangerous. Anyone suspected of

having taken a large dose of speed should be rushed to a hospital. High fever, high blood pressure and shock are evident when a person has O.D.ed on amphetamine.

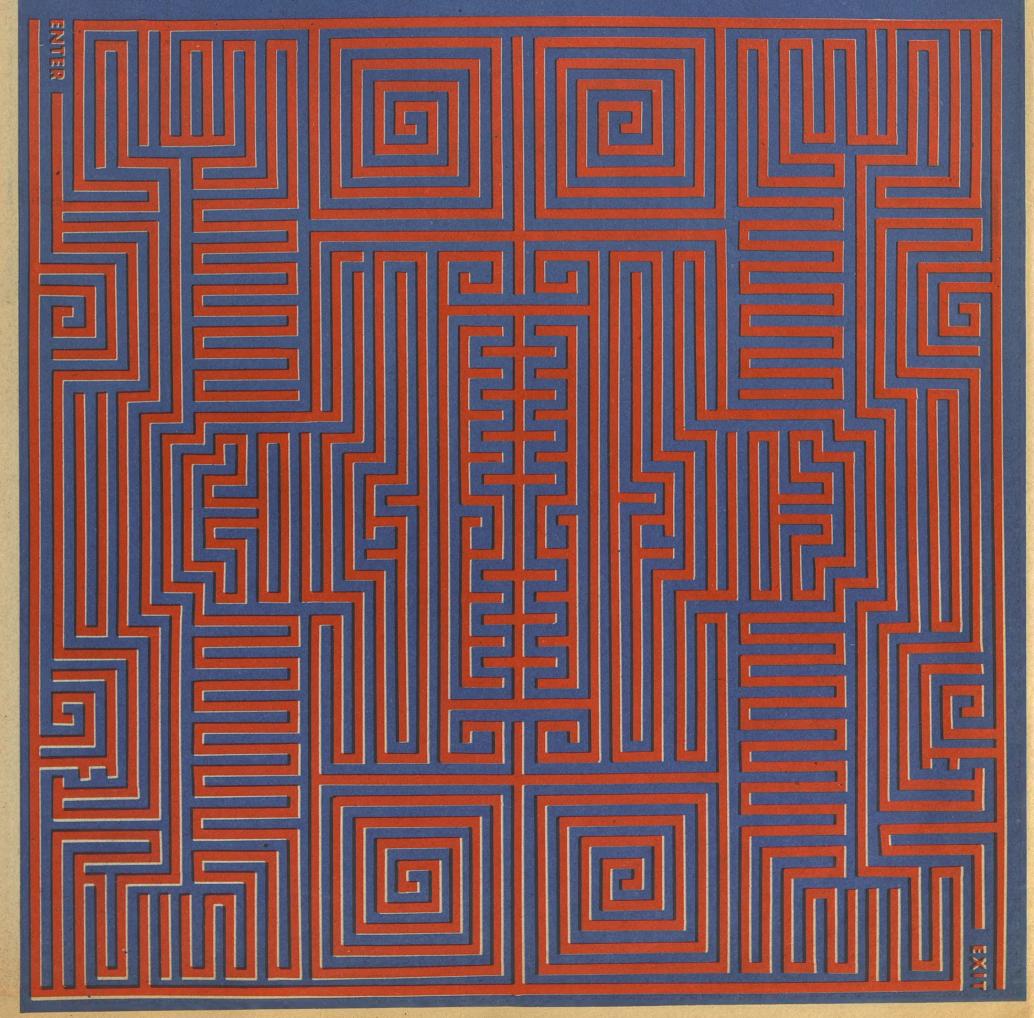
Speed makes the body work harder and faster than normal. This, in addition to the fact that speed freaks don't eat or sleep much, means chronic use of speed can burn a person out. Also, common speed freak paranoia can make chronic users dangerous to themselves and the people around them.

Speed is an ingredient in some common drugs that are around—both legal and illegal. Dexamil is a combination of dexedrine and amobarbitol, a barbiturate. Biphetamine T is a combination of methaqualone and biphetamine. The downers in combination with speed act to take some of the edge off the amphetamine and ease the crash when the drug wears off.

It's common for speed and a little acid to be sold as mescaline on the street. The acid gives the psychedelic effects while the speed gives body sensations similar to those caused by mescaline. Though rare, speed is sometimes added to MDA — it is cheaper and more available than straight MDA and it gives some of the same body rushes (not surprising since MDA and Amphetamine are chemically related).

Recently, the state and federal governments have started clamping down on the legal manufacture of amphetamines — trying to narrow off that 40% illegal diversion. Because of this, there is more illegally produced speed being sold on the streets, and this stuff is easily more dangerous. Legally produced speed is dangerous enough; the bootleg variety could be a real horror show. IF YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE DRUGS, KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TAKING.

For more information about amphetamines, call or write to Alternatives, Inc., 2550 W. Peterson Ave. Chicago III 60659, 973-5400.



No doubt you've noticed the courts stopped WEFM from going blah-rock, at least for a couple of months. People — mostly newspaper columnists and media fanatics who never listened to WEFM before it became their cause—righteously said fifteen full-time rock'n'roll radio stations in one city is enough. WEFM, these folks said, should remain classical. Chicago has only three classical stations, the others being WNIB and WFMT.

Maybe, maybe not. I don't know. The folks at WNIB, whom I trust and believe and have been very nice to Radio Warp and Transition (the midnight hour progressive rock and jazz shows), say there isn't enough advertising and contribution coin to keep both themselves and WEFM in their classical format.

If Chicago can't support three classical radio stations, Chicago shouldn't have three classical stations. Its as simple as that. Not until Radio Free Now happens.

Now that that's settled, lets talk about those fifteen rock stations.

Do we really need lifteen? There are different forms and types of rock radio — the high-paced, 12 year old slanted AM type, like on WCFL-AM; the golden-oldie type, as programmed by say, WIND-AM; the bullshit Rush Street "aren't we hig" type that WSDM-FM pushes; and the free-form progressive rock format, squeaking through 25 hours a week on Triad (WXFM) and nine hours a week on Radio Warp (WNIB).

The other stations mimic those I noted above. WLS doesn't do as good a job as WCFL; WGLD is a pale second to WIND; WDAI and WBBM-FM sound just like WSDM — and so on.

What Chicago needs is a 24 hour a day progressive rock station. Triad, Radio Warp and Classical Rock (WXRT) should not have to compete for listeners; they should be on the same station, dividing up the time according to the individual formats of each show.

(Meaning something like this: Radio Warp, being the most acid-rockish of the three, should do late afternoons and early evenings. Classical Rock should either run mornings or late evenings. Triad, being the heaviest, most melodic and free-form of the bunch, should do the late-night shift.)

And as long as I'm doing media-masturbation, Chicago doesn't have a full-time jazz station, either. WBEE-AM has an extremely weak signal, and, dig it, they're into a different type of jazz than Transition.

Nor do we have a station which plays much folk music or blues. We need that too. Drama as well.

All this bullshit about WEFM is merely the stench of the hordes of cause-followers, running so fast they don't bother to look at the issues.

Grow up, people. Fight for something that is

needed, something that is worth having

Now that I've said my peice, let's get into the whole mess of new music running about.

I saw Paul McCartney on the tube last night, and, like, I really like McCartney. No shit.

But that teevee show sorta answered the old "Is Paul Really Dead" question. Nope, he ain't dead, he merely turned into Dean Martin.

AppleCorpse did a nice thing by remembering the past. The Beatles, you remember them, were something great. We all know that, right?

Apple released two two record sets, taking us through the entire history of the Beatles. A sort of mammoth "greatest hits" package that, when listened to consecutively, really drives home the Beatles' importance to rock music. Eight years of history, not nostalgia, that shows how four extremely talented musicians progressed and evolved together.

The Beatles 1962 - 1966 and The Beatles 19671970 are together one extremely heavy rush. Its
nice to hear stuff from Sqt. Pepper and Abbey Road
out of context from their original concept records.
Its nice to hear the early singles that made the group
so famous.

If you don't already have all the Beatle albums, or if most of yours are worn out, scratched, or turning into cat boxes, pick up on these sets.

By the way, The Beatles — the remaining Beatles — fired Allan Klein, that cat McCartney said was such a pig when he (Paul) quit the group. Remothas it the Beatles were dissatisfied about the two-record sets (Crom knows why) and/or Klein wanted to stop losing money on no-seller Yoko Ono records, and Lennon wouldn't have it.

Anyway, tough shit, Klein. Maybe the need for Apple Corp. has vanished with the Beatles anyway.

The Jefferson Airplane released a new album that should answer some of their critic's objections. Thirty Seconds Over Winterland, a live Ip with no original material, was recorded by one group, not a conglomeration of smaller groups. Slick, Kantner, Hot Tuna, Papa John et al perform on every track together (togetherness is a big thing in new records lately) and sound much better for it.

The production is sort of a drag, like the vocals are a bit muddled and are buried deep into the instrumentals, but all in all, this record shines through. They only have one drummer on this record, John Barbata, late of Crosby, Stills, Hinkley and Schmidt. Barbata can beat rings around Joey Covington (and Joey was good), he's the only suitable replacement for Spence Dryden, who quit after Volunteers.

The only real hassle – outside of the lack of new material – is the fact that their new vocalist, David Freiberg, can't be heard.

Freiberg is supposed to show up on Grace Slick's forthcoming "solo" Ip — "solo" meaning its produced by Graham Nash and probably features Nash, Crosby, Kantner, Papa John Creach, Janis Joplin, John Coltraine, Jimi Hendrix, Jim Morrison, Buddy Holly and friends. (No Bob Dylan, though.)

Jorma Kaukonen runs away with the new Airlaplane album again; I'm getting sick of telling people about his guitar prowess. He's got a "solo" albu. coming out too. I assume by "solo" that Grunt records means that it won't have the sound of a Hot Tuna album. I'll be surprised it it doesn't feature some Hot Tuna personnel.

If you weren't blinded by the mere thought of seeing Alice Cooper earlier this month, you could have seen the Phlorescent Leech and Eddie on the same bill. They've got a new record out, simply entitled Flo and Eddie.

F&E, for those of you who didn't see 200 Motels, are Mark Volman and Howard Kaylan, late of the Mothers of Invention and the Turtles, and drummer Aynsley Dunbar, late of the Mothers and his own blues group.

Flo and Eddie, or eather Mark and Howie, have got to be two of the best vocalists in the business today. Their simple music—slickly produced, for sure—is a breath of fresh air compared to the glitter of Alice Cooper, Lou Reed and Dayle Bowie.

They are every bit as talented showmen as the above mentioned weirdos; working with Zappa will do it to you. I suppose. Their showmanship shows through on their new record.

As with their first record, the listener tends to drift off of the vocals on first hearing, pulled away by the incredible drumwork of Aynsley Dunbar. Dunbar is slowly getting the recognition he deserves; you really have to see him to believe it. A lightning-fast perfectionist, his sharp, clean sound lays the foundation for every note uttered by Flo and Eddie, and played by guitarist Gary Rowles and bassist Jim Pons.

Again by the way, Pons was also a member of the Turtles, as was Airplane John Barbata (one review up). I said togetherness was in.

Getting into circles as usual, I'm gonna close off by going back to the top. Since WNIB is expanding their classical programming, Radio Warp is now starting at midnight instead of 11pm. They're going later still, deep into the night.

I say this 'cause I'm a part of the on-the-air crew. Therefore, chalk this up to pure egomania: If you haven't heard Radio Warp, you're missing one of the only different sounds in FM rock radio. Check it out.

Tell 'em Groucho sent you.

Mike Gold

